FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PETERKIN GEORGE A JR					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX]									Relationsh neck all ap X Dire	plicable)	g Person(s) to I	ssuer Owner	
(Last) 5005 WC SUITE 2	(Fi	rst) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/27/2011									Offic belo	cer (give title w)	Other below	(specify)
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77056 (City) (State) (Zip)					- 4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transat Date (Month/D.					Execution Date,		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			d Secur Bene Owne	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price		action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 10/27/				7/201	2011		G	V	2,640)	D	\$0	2	03,504	D			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 10/27/				7/201	2011		G	V	3,520		D	\$0	1	99,984	D			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 10/27/				7/201	/2011		G	V	3,520)	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>		56,560	I	Trusts ⁽¹⁾		
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share															8,000	I	Wife ⁽²⁾	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
Derivative Security (Month/Day/Year) Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security		4. Transa Code (8)		on of Derivative (Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiration (Month/D	5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date Expiration Date		Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		r. 3	3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The shares are owned by 8 trusts of which Mr. Peterkin is the trustee and beneficiaries are six of his grandchildren and two of the grandchildren of his wife, Nancy G. Peterkin.
- 2. Shares owned beneficially and of record by Mr. Peterkin's wife, Nancy G. Peterkin, of which Mr. Peterkin disclaims any beneficial ownership.

Remarks:

G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact

10/27/2011

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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