FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SIMS JACK M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX]									(Check all app Direct		olicable) ctor	10%	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/30/2010									X	Officer (give title below) Vice Pr		Other (specify below)			
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77007 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									i. Indiv ine) X						
		Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curit	ies Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, o	r Ben	efici	ally	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Executi ay/Year) if any		A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year)				4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			4 and Secu Bene Own		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(11150.4)		
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 03/30/						2010		F		2,332		D	\$38	3.54	13,844		D			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share																7,086	I	401(k) Stock		
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Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Tr			Code (I	ransaction ode (Instr.)		of E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

<u>G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent</u> <u>and Attorney-in-Fact</u>

03/31/2010

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of J. H. Pyne, Norman W. Nolen and G. Stephen Holcomb, each with the authority to act alone, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- 1. execute on behalf of the undersigned in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Kirby Corporation (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- 2. take any and all actions on behalf of the undersigned that may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment to such form and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- 3. take any other action of any kind in connection with the foregoing that, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required of, the undersigned, with the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney to be in such form and contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in his or her discretion.

The undersigned grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to take such actions as may be necessary or proper in the exercise of the authority herein granted, as fully as the undersigned could if acting personally, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done pursuant to this Power of Attorney. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the attorneys-in-fact.

DATED	September 9	, 2002.		
			/s/ Jack Sims Signature	
			Jack Sims Printed Name	