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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LAMONT WILLIAM M JR</u> | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX] | | | | | | | | | eck all a | tionship of Reportin all applicable) Director | | ng Person(s) to Issu 10% Owr | | |
|---|---|--|--|-------------------------|---|---|------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|-----------|--|---|--|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 2651 N. HARWOOD, SUITE 425 | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/28/2009 | | | | | | | | | | Officer (give title below) | | Other (s below) | | pecify | |
| (Street) DALLAS (City) | | | 75201 (Zip) | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | Line | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - Nor | n-Deriv | ative | Se | curitie | s Ac | quired, | Disp | osed o | of, or E | 3en | eficial | ly Ow | ned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans. Date (Month/I | | | | Execution if any | | cution Date, ly | | Transaction Dispos Code (Instr. 5) | | rities Acquired (A) o ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | 4 and Securiti Benefic Owned | | ly (| 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A (D |) or) | Price | Tran | orted sactio r. 3 ar | | | 1 | Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 04/28/ | | | | 8/200 | 2009 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | | 1,00 | 1,000 A | | \$0 | 36 | | ,284 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 529,270 | | I V | | Wife ⁽²⁾ | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 740,342 | | I | | Γrusts ⁽³⁾ | | |
| | | 7 | able II - | | | | | | uired, D s, option | | | | | | Owne | ed | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day | Date, Transa Code (I | | | | | 6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year | | | Amoun Securit Underly Derivat | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactior (Instr. 4) | / [i | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisab | | opiration | Title | | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| Director Stock Option (Right to | \$29.6 | 04/28/2009 | | | A | | 6,000 | | 10/28/200 | 9 04 | 4/28/2019 | Commo Stock | | 6,000 | \$29.6 | | 57,000 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Restricted\ Stock\ granted\ under\ the\ 2000\ Nonemployee\ Director\ Stock\ Option\ Plan\ for\ Kirby\ Corporation.$
- 2. Shares owned beneficially and of record by Mr. Lamont's wife of which Mr. Lamont disclaims any beneficial ownership.
- 3. Shares owned by trusts of which Mr. Lamont's wife, Mary Noel Lamont, is the beneficiary. Mr. Lamont disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

Remarks:

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

04/30/2009

** 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).
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