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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* STEWART RICHARD ROSS						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX]									all appli Directo	or	g Pers	10% Ov	wner
(Last) 6428 BR		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/07/2011									Officer (give title Other (spe below) below)								
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77005 (City) (State) (Zip)				_ 4. li	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Indivine)	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tab	le I - I	Non-Deri	vative	Sec	uriti	ies Ad	cquire	d, D	isposed o	of, or B	eneficia	ally (Owned	l			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/Y					Execution Date,				4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			Benefic Owned		es ially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transa (Instr. 3		ction(s)				
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 11/07/201					011			M		6,000	Α	\$29.0	9.6 1		3,000		D		
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 11/07/201					011				S		6,000	D	\$63.076	66 ⁽¹⁾	6(1) 7,000			D	
		Т	able								sposed of , converti				wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any		4. Transa Code (8)	ection	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/		cisable and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownersi Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr.	Ownership	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares						
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$29.6	11/07/2011			М			6,000	10/28/	2009	04/28/2019	Commor Stock	6,000		\$29.6	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The reported price is the weighted average sales price. The sales were at prices ranging from \$63.00 to \$63.21 per share. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the Commission staff, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

Remarks:

<u>G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent</u> <u>and Attorney-in-Fact</u> <u>11/08/2011</u>

** 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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