Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  NOLEN NORMAN W							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [ KEX ]								f Reporting Person(s) to Issuable) 10% Ow (give title Other (s)		ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 55 WAUGH DRIVE SUITE 1000					02	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2008								X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Executive Vice President				
(Street) HOUSTON, TX X1 77007					_   4.   _	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								i. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)																		
		Tal	ole I - No	n-Der	ivativ	e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or Ber	neficial	y Owned				
Date					saction /Day/Ye	ar) l	2A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Beneficia	s ally following	Form:	Direct I Indirect E str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)			msu. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 02/08/						2008			<b>A</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		5,500	A	\$0	62,	62,981		D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 02/11/					1/200	2008			S		16,656	D	\$49.43	6 46,325			D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share														2,551				401(k) Plan
			Table II -								osed of, convertib			Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	xecution Date,		ction Instr.			6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/Da	n Date	of Secur r) Underlyi		g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisat		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	\$48	02/08/2008			A		10,345		02/08/201	1(2)	02/08/2013	Common Stock	10,345	\$48	40,22	7	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Restricted Stock awarded under the 2005 Stock and Incentive Plan for Kirby Corporation.
- 2. Option is exercisable 33% after one year, 67% after two years and 100% after three years from date of grant.

## Remarks:

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

02/12/2008

\*\* 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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