FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BUESE MARK R						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX]								5. Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable) Director Officer (give title			10% Owner	
(Last) 55 WAU	,	irst)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/03/2006]	below)			Other (s below) sident	респу		
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77007 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line) X Form to F	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tal	ble I - No	on-Deri	vativ	e Se	curi	ties Ac	quired	l, Dis	sposed o	f, or Bei	neficiall	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day)					Execution Date,		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			Benefic Owned	es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)		[Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 11/03/20					/2006	5			М		16,000	A	\$13.56	5 35,	120(1)		D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 11/03/20				/2006	006		S		16,000	D	\$35.116	59 19	,120	20 I				
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share														2,0)36(1)			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)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	Code (Ins		on of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		е	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$13.565	11/03/2006			М			16,000	01/28/20	05 ⁽²⁾	01/28/2007	Common Stock	16,000	\$13.565	59,000	(1)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. These share numbers \ reflect \ the \ 2-for-1 \ stock \ split \ that \ was \ effective \ May \ 31, \ 2006.$
- $2.\ Original\ option\ exercisable\ 33\%\ after\ one\ year,\ 67\%\ after\ two\ years\ and\ 100\%\ after\ three\ years\ from\ date\ of\ grant.$

Remarks:

Mark R. Buese <u>11/06/2006</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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