FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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<b>STATEMENT</b>	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Binion Gregory R.  (Last) (First) (Middle)					3. D	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     KIRBY CORP [ KEX ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2009										All app Direct Office below	er (give title		10% C Other ( below)	wner (specify		
55 WAUGH DRIVE  SUITE 1000  (Street)  HOUSTON, TX X1  77007						If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applic Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person					··		
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			Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es Ac	quire	ed, D	isp	osed o	f, or	Bene	ficia	ally (	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,		Co	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Secur Benet		rities   I ficially   ( ed Following   (		wnership m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
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Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 01/26/					5/2009	2009			A	(1)		11,042 A		Α	\$0		36,937			D		
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share																596 <sup>(2)</sup>			I	401K Plan		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)			Expir (Mon	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		ount ober	nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	F C	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Restricted Stock awarded under the 2005 Stock and Incentive Plan for Kirby Corporation.
- 2. Acquired 49 shares during 2008 pursuant to the Kirby Corporation 401(k) Plan. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement dated December 31, 2008.

## Remarks:

G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and Attorney -in-Fact 01/28/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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