FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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WEBB RICHARD C						KIRBY CORP [KEX]								(Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 600 TRAVIS, SUITE 3100					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/27/2004										Officer (give title below)			Other (s below)	specify	
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77002					_ 4. li	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)	(S		(Zip) le I - Nor	n-Deriv	/ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	auired.	Disi	nosed o	of, or Be	enefic	ially	Owner	<u> </u>				
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Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 04/27/						2004			A ⁽¹⁾		671	71 A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	1,	,671		D		
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Director Stock Option (Right to	\$35.76	04/27/2004			A		3,000		10/27/200	4 04	4/27/2014	Common Stock	3,00	00	\$35.76	25,890	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Restricted Stock granted under the 2000 Nonemployee Director Stock Option Plan for Kirby Corporation.

Remarks:

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

05/03/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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