FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [ KEX ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
GOWER BOB G										,				X	Direc	ctor	10	% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 402 TIMBERWILDE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/05/2004									Offic belov	er (give title w)		ner (specify ow)	
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77024			4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X							
(City)	(St	ate) (	Zip)												Pers	SOFI			
		Tabl	e I - N	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired	d, Di	sposed o	f, or B	enefic	ially	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/					Execution Date,		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3)					and 5) Secur Benet		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	t of Indirect		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111511.4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 11/05/20					2004	004			S		10,000	D	\$44.	9138	30,000		D		
		Та	ble II -								osed of, convertib				vned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Expirat (Month	tion Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Deriv Secu (Inst		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date	nabla	Expiration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

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

11/08/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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