FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Farley James F.						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [ KEX ]								(Chec	k all applic Directo	cable)	g Pers	on(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	wner
(Last) 55 WAU SUITE 1	GH DRIVE	•	(Middle)		12	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2012								X	below) Presid			below)` shore Mar	in
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77007				_   4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indi Line) X	lividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person					
(City)	(S		(Zip)																
Table I - Non-Deriv  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day)			ction	ion 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. 4. Securities		of, or Beneficially s Acquired (A) or of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F	mount of 6 urities F eficially ( ned Following (		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transact (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 12/06/2				2012	)12		S		18,000	D	\$57.	.101(1)		5,291		D			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 12/07/2				2012	)12		M		18,000	A	\$23	23.98 43		3,291		D			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share												952				401(k) Stock			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Dee Execution if any (Month/I		4. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ate	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		S	. Price of Perivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ve es ially ng d tion(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Share	oer					
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$23.98	12/07/2012			M			18,000	01/30/2	2012	01/30/2014	Common Stock	18,0	00	\$23.98	0		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The reported price is the weighted average sales price. The sales were at prices ranging from \$57.10 to \$57.17 per share. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the Commission staff, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

## Remarks:

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

12/10/2012

\*\* 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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