FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name an		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [ KEX ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)									
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(Last) (First) (Middle)							Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)								Offic belov	ficer (give title low)		Other below)	(specify
55 WAUGH DRIVE						05/12/2004								Chairman of the Board					
SUITE 1000																			
SUITE 1000						If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street)						4. II Amendment, Date of Original Fliet (Month/Day/Teal)								Line)					
HOUSTON TX 77007														X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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(City) (State) (Zip)															. 3.66.1				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactic Date (Month/Day/						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			nd 5) Securiti Benefic		ities icially d Following	Form:	nership Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	)	Trans	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 05/12/20						004 05/12/2		004	S		27,600	D \$34.		.0208	2,220,590		D		
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 05/12/20					2004	004 05/12/2		004	S		14,800	D	\$34	\$34.0208		600,557		I	Trusts <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share																2,874		I	401(k) Plan
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of													<del>-</del>	rice of	9. Number o	f 10		11. Nature	
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executi if any	on Date,	Transa Code ( 8)		ion of		Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ite	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Deriva Secur (Instr.	ivative urity	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ov Fo Dii or (I)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	r					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. These shares are owned by four trusts. Mr. Lawrence is not a beneficiary under any of the trusts, but under the terms of the instruments pursuant to which all four trusts were created, Mr. Lawrence does have the right to reacquire the property constituting the principal of the trusts, including, but not limited to, the shares owned by the trusts by substituting property of equal value therefor.

## Remarks:

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

05/13/2004

\*\* 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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