FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LAWRENCE CHARLES BERDON</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX]								(Check	Officer (give title Other (apocify)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 55 WAUGH DRIVE SUITE 1000						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2004								X	below) below) Chairman of the Board				
(Street) HOUSTO			77007 (Zip)		- 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (C Line) X Form filed by One Reportin Form filed by More than Or Person										Reporting Pe	rson		
1 Title of C	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day					/Year) Execution		ution Date,				es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5			Beneficially Owned Following		Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price)		rted action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock, par v	value \$.10 per sl	hare	05/14/2	2004	004 05/17/2004		S		27,500	D	\$33	\$33.758		145,290	D			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 05/14/20					2004	004 05/17/2004		004	S		13,100	D	\$33	33.758		61,657	I	Trusts ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 05/18/20					2004	004 05/18/2004		S		31,500	D	\$34	\$34.7681		113,790	D			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 05/19/20					2004	004 05/19/2004		S		35,500	D	\$3	\$34.5		078,290	D			
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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		Execution if any	Execution Date, if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Exerction Da //Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr and 4)		Deri Sec (Ins:	vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Number of Shares									

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

05/19/2004

** 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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