FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PETERKIN GEORGE A JR						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  KIRBY CORP [ KEX ]										olicable)	g Person(s) to 10%	Issuer Owner
(Last) 5005 WC		rst) (I	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2012									Offic below	er (give title w)	Othe belov	r (specify v)
SUITE 200 (Street)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person				··
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/N				tion	on 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acqui Disposed Of (D) (In			Acquire	ed (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tran		action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 12/06/20					2012	12		S		11,881	D	\$57.0	)77 <sup>(1)</sup>		52,537	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share														(	59,920	I	Trusts <sup>(2)</sup>	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share														8,000	I	Wife <sup>(3)</sup>		
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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			ransaction ode (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Exerc tion D n/Day/`	/ear)	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Deri Seci (Inst	ivative 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 Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	of Shares								

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The reported price is the weighted average sales price. The sales were at prices ranging from \$56.84 to \$57.49 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.
- 2. The shares are owned by 8 trusts of which Mr. Peterkin is the trustee and beneficiaries are six of his grandchildren and two of the grandchildren of his wife, Nancy G. Peterkin.
- 3. Shares owned beneficially and of record by Mr. Peterkin's wife, Nancy G. Peterkin, of which Mr. Peterkin disclaims any beneficial ownership.

## Remarks:

<u>G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent</u> <u>and Attorney-in-Fact</u>

12/07/2012

\*\* 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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