SEC Form 4

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person[*] HOLCOMB G STEPHEN	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

(Last)   (First)   (Middle)

55 WAUGH DRIVE

SUITE 1000

(Street)

HOUSTON   TX   77007

(City)   (State)   (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/26/2004

4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

	Director		10% Owner
X	Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)

Vice Pres-Investor Relations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

X   Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock, par value $.10 per share	01/07/2004		G[(1)]		30	A	$0	5,050	D	
Common Stock, par value $.10 per share	01/26/2004		A[(2)]		500	A	$0	5,550	D	
Common Stock, par value $.10 per share								2,626[(3)]	I	401K 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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. 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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$33.925	01/26/2004		A		3,500		01/26/2007[(4)]	01/26/2009	Common Stock	3,500	$33.925	42,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Stock received for 35 year service award.

2. Restricted Stock granted under the 2002 Stock and Incentive Plan for Kirby Corporation.

3. Acquired 109 shares during 2003 pursuant to the Kirby Corporation 401(k) Plan, at prices ranging from $23.05 to $34.09. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement dated December 31, 2003.

4. Option is exercisable 33% after one year, 67% after two years and 100% after three years from date of grant.

Remarks:

G. Stephen Holcomb   02/02/2004

** 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).

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