GOWER BOB G
Form 4
April 30, 2009

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GOWER BOB G	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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/28/2009	__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner _____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below) below)
402 TIMBERWILDE		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
HOUSTON, TX 77024		

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	04/28/2009		A[(1)]		1,000	A	$ 0	41,922	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
								Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V	(A)	(D)				
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 29.6	04/28/2009		A		6,000		10/28/2009	04/28/2019	Common Stock	6,000
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 29.6	04/28/2009		A		2,433		03/31/2010(2)	04/28/2019	Common Stock	2,433

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GOWER BOB G 402 TIMBERWILDE HOUSTON, TX 77024	X			

Signatures

G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact	04/30/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Restricted Stock granted under the 2000 Nonemployee Director Stock Option Plan for Kirby Corporation.

(2) Option is exercisable 25% after the quarter ending 6/30/2009, 50% after 9/30/2009, 75% after 12/31/2009 and 100% at 3/31/2010.

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