

HOLCOMB G STEPHEN

Form 4

June 16, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HOLCOMB G STEPHEN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77007

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

KIRBY CORP [KEX]

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

06/15/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Vice Pres-Investor Relations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	06/15/2006		M	4,000	A \$ 9.2813	16,108 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	06/15/2006		S	4,000	D \$ 34	12,108	D
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share						5,558 ⁽¹⁾	I 401K Plan

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.2813	06/15/2006		M	4,000	01/20/2001 ⁽²⁾ 01/20/2007	Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
HOLCOMB G STEPHEN 55 WAUGH DRIVE SUITE 1000 HOUSTON, TX 77007	Vice Pres-Investor Relations

Signatures

G. Stephen
Holcomb 06/16/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

(1) These share numbers reflect the 2-for-1 stock split that was effective May 31, 2006.

(2) Original option exercisable 25% after one year, 50% after two years, 75% after three years and 100% after four years from date of grant.

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