

GOWER BOB G
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

GOWER BOB G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

402 TIMBERWILDE

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77024

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

KIRBY CORP [KEX]

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

04/28/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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. 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| 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)

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|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|
| 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 (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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|

| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------|---------|------------|--|------|---|-------|-----|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(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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