

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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REPORTING OWNER

LAMONT WILLIAM M JR

CIK: **1206207**

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ISSUER

KIRBY CORP

CIK: **56047** | IRS No.: **741884980** | State of Incorporation: **NV** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **4400** Water transportation

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person LAMONT WILLIAM M JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/24/2012			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
2651 N. HARWOOD, SUITE 425			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) DALLAS, TX 75201								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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	04/24/2012		A	(1)	1,000	A	\$ 0	54,284	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share								401,170	I	Wife (2)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share								682,662	I	Trusts (3)

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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$62.48	04/24/2012		A		6,000		10/24/2012	04/24/2022	Common Stock	6,000	\$62.48	6,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Restricted Stock granted under the 2000 Nonemployee Director Stock Option Plan for Kirby Corporation.
2. Shares owned beneficially and of record by Mr. Lamont's wife of which Mr. Lamont disclaims any beneficial ownership.
3. Shares owned by trusts of which Mr. Lamont's wife, Mary Noel Lamont, is the beneficiary. Mr. Lamont disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

Signatures

G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

04/30/2012

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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