

NOLEN NORMAN W  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NOLEN NORMAN W

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000  
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX, X1 77007

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
KIRBY CORP [KEX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/18/2005

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)  
Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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	(D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	11/18/2005		M		40,000	A	\$ 17.2813
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	11/18/2005		S		22,800	D	\$ 54.44
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share							1,061
						I	401(k) Stock

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.2813	11/18/2005		M	40,000	02/15/2003 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/15/2009	Common Stock 40,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
NOLEN NORMAN W 55 WAUGH DRIVE SUITE 1000 HOUSTON, TX, X1 77007	Director 10% Owner Officer  Executive Vice President

## Signatures

G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact  
 11/22/2005  
 \*\*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) 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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