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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SIMS JACK M Issuer Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000 08/01/2005 below) Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77007 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	rities Acquir	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (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	08/01/2005		M	10,000	A	\$ 18.5625	13,008	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	08/01/2005		M	3,000	A	\$ 17.9063	16,008	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	08/01/2005		M	8,000	A	\$ 27.13	24,008	D	

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Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	08/01/2005	S	21,000	D	\$ 48.5	3,008	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	08/01/2005	A	55	A	(1)	1,907	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	08/01/2005	<u>I⁽²⁾</u>	1,907	D	\$ 49.26	0	I	401(k) plan

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.5625	08/01/2005		M	10,000	0 01/20/2001(3)	01/20/2007	Common Stock	10,0
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.9063	08/01/2005		M	3,000	01/18/2003(3)	01/18/2009	Common Stock	3,00
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.13	08/01/2005		M	8,000	01/28/2005(4)	01/28/2007	Common Stock	8,00

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SIMS JACK M
55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000
HOUSTON, TX 77007

Vice
President

Signatures

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

08/03/2005 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- These shares were acquired from January 1, 2005 through July 18, 2005 pursuant to the Kirby Corporation 401(k) Plan, at prices ranging from \$39.40 to \$47.19. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement dated August 1, 2005.
- (2) These shares were transferred from indirectly owned 401(k) stock into another investment option within the Kirby Corporation 401(k) Plan.
- (3) Original option exercisable 25% after one year, 50% after two years, 75% after three years and 100% after four years from date of grant.
- (4) Original option exercisable 33% after one year, 67% after two years and 100% after three years from date of grant.

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