

PETERKIN GEORGE A JR
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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 *
 PETERKIN GEORGE A JR

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5005 WOODWAY, SUITE 200
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 10/21/2004

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

HOUSTON, TX 77056
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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. 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	10/21/2004		G		4,680	D	\$ 0 (1)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	10/21/2004		G		3,640	D	\$ 0 (2)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	10/21/2004		G		4,680	A	\$ 0
					43,605	I	Trusts (3)

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- (2) Bona fide gifts for no consideration of any kind.
- (3) The shares are owned by 14 trusts of which Mr. Peterkin is the trustee and beneficiaries are seven of his grandchildren, one grandnephew, two grandnieces and two of the grandchildren of his wife, Nancy G. Peterkin.
- (4) Shares owned beneficially and of record by Mr. Peterkin's wife, Nancy G. Peterkin, of which Mr. Peterkin disclaims any beneficial ownership.

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