

PETERKIN GEORGE A JR  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)  
03/09/2006

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

HOUSTON, TX 77056

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	03/09/2006		G	V 500 D	\$ 0 (1) 164,387	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	04/25/2006		A(2)	500 A	\$ 0 164,887	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share					44,685	I	Trusts (3)

Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 4,000 I Wife <sup>(4)</sup>

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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 70.33	04/25/2006		A	3,000	10/25/2006 04/25/2016	Common Stock	3,000
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 70.33	04/25/2006		A	1,024 <sup>(5)</sup>	03/31/2007 04/25/2016	Common Stock	1,024

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PETERKIN GEORGE A JR 5005 WOODWAY SUITE 200 HOUSTON, TX 77056	X			

## Signatures

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

04/27/2006

\_\_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) Bona fide gift for no consideration of any kind.
- (2) Restricted Stock granted under the 2000 Nonemployee Director Stock Option Plan for Kirby Corporation.
- (3) The shares are owned by 12 trusts of which Mr. Peterkin is the trustee and beneficiaries are six 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.
- (5) Option is exercisable 25% at 6/30/06, 50% at 9/30/06, 75% at 12/31/06 and 100% at 3/31/07.

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