

LAWRENCE CHARLES BERDON
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FORM 5

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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ANNUAL 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LAWRENCE CHARLES BERDON

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chairman of the Board

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

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2008

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

HOUSTON, TX 77007

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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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Amount	(A) or (D) Price				
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	12/31/2006	^	S4 ⁽¹⁾	489,801	D	\$ ⁽¹⁾ 234,227	I	Partnership ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	^	^	^	^	^	^	D	^	
	^	^	^	^	^	^	I	Trusts ⁽²⁾	

Common
Stock, par
value \$.10
per share

Common
Stock, par
value \$.10
per share

^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ 9,116 ⁽³⁾ I 401K

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAWRENCE CHARLES BERDON 55 WAUGH DRIVE SUITE 1000 HOUSTON, TX 77007	X			Chairman of the Board

Signatures

G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact 01/15/2009

**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).

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(1) The reported shares were held by Lawrence Family Interests, LP, a limited partnership of which entities wholly owned by Mr. Lawrence and his wife are the general partners. On December 31, 2006, Mr. Lawrence transferred a 95.25% limited partnership interest in the partnership to his three children for an aggregate purchase price of \$26,118,750. Mr. Lawrence disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the limited partnership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in such shares.

(2) These shares are owned by trusts for the benefit of members of Mr. Lawrence's family. Mr. Lawrence is not a beneficiary of the trusts, but under their terms, he has the right to acquire the property in the trusts, including the Kirby shares owned by the trusts, by substituting property of equal value.

(3) Acquired 536 shares during 2008 pursuant to the Kirby Corporation 401(k) Plan. The information reported herein is based on a plan statement dated December 31, 2008.

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