

KIRBY CORP  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
PYNE J H

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

HOUSTON, TX 77007

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/09/2006

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)  
President

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|   |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (D)  | Price   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share | 05/10/2006                           |  | M                              |   | 52,063  | A  | \$ 25.55  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share | 05/09/2006                           |  | S                              |   | 52,063  | D  | \$ 80.1851  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,609   | 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. 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 25.55   | 05/10/2006                           |  | M                              | 52,063  | 01/27/2006 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/27/2008                     | Common Stock  | 52,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships |           |           |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer   | Other |
| PYNE J H<br>55 WAUGH DRIVE<br>SUITE 1000<br>HOUSTON, TX 77007 | X             |           | President |       |

## Signatures

G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

05/11/2006  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 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 33% after one year, 67% after two years and 100% after three years from date of grant.

### Remarks:

An option of Mr. Pyne's was exercised on April 24, 2006 for 4,000 shares and, of the exercise, 4,000 shares were registered in Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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