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SIMS JACK M Symbo									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First) (KIRBY CORP [KEX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction						(Check	ek all applicable)			
(Mont				onth/Day/Year) /08/2005					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Vice President				
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	I, TX 77007								Person		porting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - No	n-I	Derivative	Secur	rities Acqu	iired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	1	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution I any	Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Secur Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Bene ay/Year) (Instr. 8) Own Follo Repo						Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Natu Indirec Benefic Owners (Instr. 4	t cial ship	
G				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	02/09/2005			М		4,500	A	\$ 16.3125	7,498	D			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	02/09/2005			М		8,000	A	\$ 21.5313	3 15,498	D			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	02/08/2005	02/09/200)5	S		12,500	D	\$ 44.5	2,998	D			

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Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	F	10	А	\$ 42.14	3,008	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share					1,852	Ι	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 on f 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.3125	02/09/2005		М	4,500	12/15/1999 <u>(1)</u>	12/15/2005	Common Stock	4,500
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.5313	02/09/2005		М	8,000	01/15/2004 <u>(2)</u>	01/15/2006	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SIMS JACK M			Vice				
55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000			President				

Reporting Owners

HOUSTON, TX 77007

Signatures

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

02/09/2005

**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) Original option was exercisable 25% after one year, 50% after two years, 75% after three years and 100% after four years from date of grant.
- (2) Original option was exercisable 33% after one year, 67% after two years and 100% after three years from date of grant.

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