VALERIUS STEVEN P

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Common

Stock, par

September 15, 2009

OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading VALERIUS STEVEN P Issuer Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000 09/11/2009 below) below) Executive VP - Admin (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77007 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price Common \$ Stock, par S 10,000 38.7428 D value 09/11/2009 D 52,075 (1) \$.10 per share Common Stock, par value 26,818 I Wife (2) \$.10 per

401(k) Plan

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value \$.10 per share

Common Stock, par value

\$.10 per share

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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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. forNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

VALERIUS STEVEN P 55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000 HOUSTON, TX 77007

Executive VP - Admin

Signatures

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

09/15/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The reported price is the weighted average purchase price. The purchases were made at prices ranging from \$38.7400 to \$38.7575 per
- (1) share. The reporting person will provide, upon the request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a stockholder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- (2) Shares owned beneficially and of record by Mr. Valerius' wife. Mr. Valerius disclaims ownership of the shares.
- (3) Shares owned beneficially and of record by Mr. Valerius' wife through the Kirby Corporation 401(k) Plan. Mr. Valerius disclaims ownership of the shares.

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