

VALERIUS STEVEN P  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
VALERIUS STEVEN P

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)  
55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/11/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive VP - Admin

(Street)  
HOUSTON, TX 77007

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	09/11/2009		S	10,000 D \$ 38.7428 (1)	52,075	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share					26,818	I	Wife (2)
Common Stock, par					1,985	I	401(k) Plan

value  
\$.10 per  
share

Common  
Stock, par  
value  
\$.10 per  
share

1,731 I 401(k)  
Stock-Wife  
(3)

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. Nu...
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

## 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).

- The reported price is the weighted average purchase price. The purchases were made at prices ranging from \$38.7400 to \$38.7575 per 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.
- (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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