KIRBY CORP

Form 4

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(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 **BUESE MARK R** Issuer Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX] (Check all applicable) (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000 09/14/2007 below) Senior Vice President (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 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (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)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	09/14/2007		M	15,000	A	\$ 9.9375	37,030	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share	09/14/2007		M	16,000	A	\$ 12.775	53,030	D	
Common Stock, par value \$,10 per share	09/14/2007		S	31,000	D	\$ 39.3472	22,030	D	

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Common	
Stock, par	
value \$.10	
per share	

2,211 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.9375	09/14/2007		M	15,000	01/20/2002(1)	01/20/2008	Common Stock	15,0
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.775	09/14/2007		M	16,000	01/27/2006(2)	01/27/2008	Common Stock	16,0

Reporting Owners

Attorney-in-Fact

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BUESE MARK R 55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 1000 HOUSTON, TX 77007			Senior Vice President				
Signatures							
G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and							

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**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 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 exercisable 33% after one year, 67% after two years and 100% after three years from date of grant.

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