KIRBY CORPORATION

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KIRBY CORPORATION TO ANNOUNCE 2013 THIRD QUARTER RESULTS AND HOLD ITS CONFERENCE CALL ON OCTOBER 28, 2013

Houston, Texas (October 11, 2013) -- Kirby Corporation ("Kirby") (NYSE:KEX) will announce its 2013 third quarter results at 7:00 a.m. central time and hold its conference call to discuss the results at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 28, 2013.

The telephone numbers to call to participate in the conference call are 800-446-2782 for domestic callers and 847-413-3235 for international callers. Please dial in five to ten minutes prior to the start of the call. The host is Steve Holcomb. The confirmation number is 35892904.

An audio conference call playback will be available starting at 1:00 p.m. central time on Monday, October 28, 2013 through 5:00 p.m. central time on Wednesday, November 27, 2013 by dialing 888-843-7419 for domestic callers and 630-652-3042 for international callers. The passcode is 35892904#. A live audio webcast of the conference call will be available to the public and a replay will be available after the conference call by visiting Kirby's website at http://www.kirbycorp.com/.

The financial and other information to be discussed in the conference call will be available in the 2013 third quarter press release and in a Form 8-K to be furnished by Kirby on the day of the call, both of which will be posted on Kirby's website at http://www.kirbycorp.com/ in the Investor Relations section under Press Releases and SEC Filings.

Kirby Corporation, based in Houston, Texas, is the nation's largest domestic tank barge operator, transporting bulk liquid products throughout the Mississippi River System, the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, coastwise along all three United States coasts and in Alaska and Hawaii. Kirby transports petrochemicals, black oil, refined petroleum products and agricultural chemicals by tank barge. Through the diesel engine services segment, Kirby provides after-market service for medium-speed and high-speed diesel engines and reduction gears used in marine and power generation applications. Kirby also distributes and services high-speed diesel engines, transmissions, pumps, compression products and manufactures and remanufactures oilfield service equipment, including pressure pumping units, for land-based pressure pumping and oilfield service markets.

Statements contained in this press release with respect to the future are forward-looking statements. These statements reflect management's reasonable judgement with respect to future events. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated as a result of various factors, including cyclical or other downturns in demand, significant pricing competition, unanticipated additions to industry capacity, changes in the Jones Act or in U.S. maritime policy and practice, fuel costs, interest rates, weather conditions, and the timing, magnitude and the number of acquisitions made by Kirby. Forward-looking statements are based on currently available information and Kirby assumes no obligation to update such statements. A list of additional risk factors can be found in Kirby's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.