KROGER CO Form 4 March 08, 2011

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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**SECURITIES** Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DILLON DAVID B			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KROGER CO [KR]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle) 3. Dat	e of Earliest	Transactio	n		(Check	c all applicabl	e)	
, , ,	E STREET	(Mont	h/Day/Year h/2011		11		_X_ Director _X_ Officer (give below) Chairman of		% Owner ner (specify and CEO	
	(Street)	4. If A	mendment,	Date Origin	nal		6. Individual or Joi	int/Group Fili	ng(Check	
CINCINNATI, OH 45202			Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) T	able I - Noi	n-Derivativ	e Seci	urities Acq	uired, Disposed of,	, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of	(D)	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	03/04/2011		S	53,396	D	23.643 (1)	802,587.2441	D		
Common Stock	03/07/2011		S	61,333	D	\$ 23.689 (2)	741,254.2441 (3)	D		
Common Stock							110,318	I	by Spouse	

Trust/Children

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

<ol> <li>Title of</li> </ol>	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	]
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	Security				Acquired						]
					(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
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					4, and 5)						
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									or		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date	11110	of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DILLON DAVID B 1014 VINE STREET

1014 VINE STREET X Chairman of the Board and CEO

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

## **Signatures**

/s/ David B.
Dillon
03/08/2011

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

**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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$23.63 to \$23.65, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to The Kroger Co., any security holder of The Kroger Co., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth above.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$23.65 to \$23.758, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to The Kroger Co., any security holder of The Kroger Co., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth above.

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(3) The total amount of securities directly owned by the reporting person includes shares in the Company's employee benefit plans that are deemed to be 'tax-conditioned plans' pursuant to Rule 16b-3, to the extent disclosed on reports received from plan trustees.

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