KROGER CO Form 4 March 16, 2015

# FORM 4

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Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PERRY M MARNETTE  (Last) (First) (Middle)  1014 VINE STREET			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KROGER CO [KR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/12/2015					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Senior Vice President				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	<b>D</b> erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	(A) or	d 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	03/12/2015			A	4,248	A	\$0	130,199.321	D			
Common	03/12/2015			F	1,392 (1)	D	\$ 76.29	128,807.321	D			

(1)

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security of (Instr. 3) F		or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(E. Zonal, Day) Toll)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/Year) e		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	ying ies	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

PERRY M MARNETTE 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Senior Vice President

### **Signatures**

/s/ M. Marnette Perry, by Stacey M. Heiser, Attorney-in-Fact

03/16/2015

\*\*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) Payment of tax liability associated with share award.
- 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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