KROGER CO Form 4 June 27, 2013

FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Williams R. Pete			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KROGER CO [KR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(encer un applicable)			
1014 VINE STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 06/25/2013	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specification) below) Senior Vice President			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(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)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3.	4. Securiti		•	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Tear)	any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4		` ′	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned Following	(D) or Indirect (I)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	06/25/2013		F	684 (1)	D	\$ 34.51	81,137.6756	D	
Common Stock	06/26/2013		F	684 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 34.48	80,453.6756 (2)	D	

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 (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/		Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	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

Williams R. Pete 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/ R. Pete Williams, by Bruce M. Gack, Attorney-in-Fact

06/27/2013

**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 restricted stock.
- 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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