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KROGER CO Form 4 January 05, 2015 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB APPROVAL Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). TATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES OMB APPROVAL Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Stole of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Estimated average unden hours per response								
(Print or Type Responses)								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> LEWIS DAVID B	2. Issuer Name and Symbol KROGER CO [K		Tradi	0	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)(First)(Middle)3. Date of Earliest Transact (Month/Day/Year)C/O THE KROGER CO.,, 101401/02/2015VINE STREET01/02/2015					XDirector10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify below)below)			
(Street) CINCINNATI, OH 45202	4. If Amendment, Da Filed(Month/Day/Year	-	ıl		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-D	Derivative	Secu		iired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	v Owned	
(Instr. 3) any	med 3.	3.4. Securities AcquiredTransactior(A) or Disposed of (D)Code(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. 7. Natur Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Benefic (D) or Owners	7. Nature of Indirect	
Common 01/02/2015	Code V		(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	D		
01/02/2015 Stock	М	5,000	А	\$ 23.1	46,122.362	D		
Common 01/02/2015 Stock	S	100	D	\$ 64.591	46,022.362	D		
Common 01/02/2015 Stock	S	4,900	D	\$ 64.619	41,122.362	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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative 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 Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 23.1	01/02/2015		М	5,000	<u>(1)</u>	12/07/2016	Common Stock	5,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LEWIS DAVID B C/O THE KROGER CO., 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202	Х							
Signatures								
/s/ David B. Lewis, by Stacey Attorney-in-Fact	M. Heiser	,		01/05/2015				
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporti	ng 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) These options were granted under a long-term incentive plan of The Kroger Co. and vest in equal annual installments in whole amounts over a five-year period, at the rate of 20% per year commencing one year from the date of the grant.

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