**KROGER CO** Form 5 March 04, 2013

#### **OMB APPROVAL** FORM 5 **OMB** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 3235-0362 Number: Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if January 31, Expires: no longer subject 2005 to Section 16. Estimated average ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Form 4 or Form burden hours per 5 obligations OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer DONNELLY MICHAEL JOSEPH Symbol KROGER CO [KR] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X 02/02/2013 \_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) THE KROGER CO., 1014 VINE Senior Vice President **STREET** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) CINCINNATI. OHÂ 45202 \_X\_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Acquired	d (A) c	or	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned at end of	(D) or	Ownership	
				(A) or		Issuer's Fiscal Year	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
				Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	65,362.5793 (1) (2)	D	Â

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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 17.31	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/06/2004	(3)	Common Stock	30,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 16.385	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/05/2005	(3)	Common Stock	30,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 19.94	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/04/2006	(3)	Common Stock	18,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 28.27	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	06/28/2007	(3)	Common Stock	20,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 28.61	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	06/26/2008	(3)	Common Stock	20,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 22.34	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	06/25/2009	(3)	Common Stock	20,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 20.16	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	06/24/2010	(3)	Common Stock	20,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 24.74	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	06/23/2011	(3)	Common Stock	25,360
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 24.74	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	06/23/2011	(3)	Common Stock	10,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 21.96	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	07/12/2012	(3)	Common Stock	25,360

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DONNELLY MICHAEL JOSEPH THE KROGER CO. 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202	Â	Â	Senior Vice President	Â			

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael J.
Donnelly
03/01/2013

\*\*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).

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