

KROGER CO  
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September 24, 2009

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**The Kroger Co.**

Pricing Term Sheet

Dated September 24, 2009

3.90% Notes due 2015

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| Issuer:                            | The Kroger Co.  |
| Principal Amount:                  | \$ 500,000,000  |
| Security Type:                     | Senior Note   |
| Maturity:                          | October 1, 2015   |
| Coupon:                            | 3.90%   |
| Price to Public:                   | 99.889%   |
| Yield to Maturity:                 | 3.921%  |
| Spread to Benchmark Treasury:      | +158 bps  |
| Benchmark Treasury:                | 2.375% due August , 2014  |
| Benchmark Treasury Spot and Yield: | 100-5 and 2.341%  |
| Interest Payment Dates:            | April 1st and October 1st, commencing on April 1st, 2010  |
| Make-Whole Call:                   | Treasury Rate plus 25 basis points  |
| Trade Date:                        | September 24, 2009  |
| Settlement Date:                   | October 1, 2009 (T+5)   |
| Denominations:                     | \$2,000 x \$1,000   |
| Ratings:                           | Baa2 (stable outlook, Moody s) / BBB- (credit watch positive, S&P) /<br>BBB (stable outlook, Fitch)                                 |
| CUSIP/ISIN                         | 49835E AA5 / US49835EAA55   |
| Joint Bookrunners:                 | Banc of America Securities LLC<br>J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.   |
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