**KROGER CO** Form 5

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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 SCUTT PAUL J Symbol KROGER CO [KR] (Check all applicable) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) (Middle) (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X \_ Officer (give title 02/03/2007 below) below) 1014 VINE STREET Senior Vice President (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 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Transaction Acquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end Indirect (I) Ownership of Issuer's (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) Fiscal Year or (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price

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)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$ 22.2344	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(3)	04/16/2008	Common Stock	18,00
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$ 27.1719	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(4)	05/27/2009	Common Stock	18,00
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$ 16.5938	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(5)	02/11/2010	Common Stock	10,00
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$ 22.995	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(6)	05/09/2012	Common Stock	10,00
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$ 24.43	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(7)	05/10/2011	Common Stock	10,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 22.995	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(8)	05/09/2012	Common Stock	20,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 14.925	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	$\hat{\mathbf{A}}$ (8)	12/12/2012	Common Stock	60,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 17.31	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	$\hat{\mathbf{A}}$ (8)	05/06/2014	Common Stock	30,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 16.385	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	$\hat{\mathbf{A}}$ (8)	05/05/2015	Common Stock	40,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 19.94	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(8)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	20,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 24.43	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(8)	05/10/2011	Common Stock	10,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 16.5938	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(8)	02/11/2010	Common Stock	10,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 27.1719	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(8)	05/27/2009	Common Stock	18,00

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Non-Qualified **Stock Option** 

\$ 22.2344 Â

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04/16/2008

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**Reporting Owners** 

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

SCUTT PAUL J

1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, Â OHÂ 45202 Â

Senior Vice President Â

**Signatures** 

/s/ Paul J. Scutt

03/09/2007

\*\*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).
- Between January 29, 2006 and February 3, 2007, the reporting person acquired 763.1168 shares of Kroger common stock in the (1) 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.
- 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.
- These options will vest during the first four years from the date of the grant only if the Company's stock price has achieved a 63% appreciation from the option price. Thereafter, the options vest only if the Company's stock price has achieved a minimum of 13% appreciation per annum from the date of grant or 200% appreciation, whichever is less. The options vest nine years and six months after grant, if not sooner vested.
- These options will vest during the first four years from the date of the grant only if the Company's stock price has achieved a 75% appreciation from the option price. Thereafter, the options vest only if the Company's stock price has achieved a minimum 15% appreciation per annum from the date of grant or 252% appreciation, whichever is less. The options vest nine years and six months after grant, if not sooner vested.
- These options will vest during the first four years from the date of the grant only if the Company's stock price has achieved an 81% appreciation from the option price. Thereafter, the options vest only if the Company's stock price has achieved a minimum 16% appreciation per annum from the date of grant or 280% appreciation, whichever is less. The options vest nine years and six months after grant, if not sooner vested.
- These options will vest during the first four years from the date of the grant only if the Company's stock price has achieved a 55% appreciation from the option price. Thereafter, the options vest only if the Company's stock price has achieved a minimum 13% appreciation per annum from the date of grant or 185% appreciation, whichever is less. The options vest nine years and six months after grant, if not sooner vested.
- These options will vest during the first four years from the date of the grant only if the Company's stock price has achieved a 78% appreciation from the option price. Thereafter, the options vest only if the Company's stock price has achieved a minimum 15% appreciation per annum from the date of grant or 208% appreciation, whichever is less. The options vest nine years and six months after grant, if not sooner vested.
- 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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