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Common

Stock

03/10/2016

(Print or Type Responses)

	Address of Reporting MARNETTE	Symbol	uer Name and Ticker or Trading l GER CO [KR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First) (of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(1131)	, 5.240	/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner				
1014 VINE	ESTREET	03/10/		X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President				
	(Street)	4. If Ar	mendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
		Filed(M	Ionth/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)				
CINCINNA	ATI, OH 45202			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	able I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Beneficial Owned Following Direct (D) Ownership Reported or Indirect Transaction(s) (I) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 4)				
Common Stock	03/10/2016		A 12,680 A \$0	249,274.0101 D				

4,179

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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	(mona, Day) Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/Year) e		Underly Securiti	rlying	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

PERRY M MARNETTE 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/ M. Marnette Perry, by Stacey M. Heiser, Attorney-in-Fact

03/14/2016

**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 share award.
- Between September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2015, the reporting person acquired 341.9105 shares of Kroger common stock in the **(2)** Company's employee benefit plans, based on information 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 **(3)** 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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