KROGER CO Form 5 March 05, 2003

SEC Form 5

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Name and Addres Van Oflen, Mary El		ng Person*	ng Person* 2. Issuer Nar and Ticker or		4. Statement for Month/Year			6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) Issuer (Check all applicable)		• ()
(Last) 1014 Vine Street	(First) (Middle)	The Kroger Co. KR				02/01/2003	_ Director10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other			
	(Street) Cincinnati, OH 45202		I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)		5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)		(specify below) Description <u>Vice President,</u> <u>Corporate Financial Services and</u> <u>Control</u>			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						Filing (6 <u>X</u> Form 1	iled by More	cable Line) Reporting Person
	Ta	able I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurities Acqu	ıired,	Disposed of, or	Benefici	ally Owne	d	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2.Transaction Date (Month/Day)	Executi Year) any		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Acqu Disp (Ir	Amount / Price	of	ties cially d at end 's Fiscal	S. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock						//\$	14,031	.8089	D	

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)	Exercise Price of Deri-	Transaction Date	E	Transaction Code (Instr.8)	of Derivative Securities	Exercisable(DE) and	of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Ye	y

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	Security	Year)	(Month/ Day/ Year)	or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Reported S Transaction(s) D (Instr.4)
				A or	DE / ED	Title / Amount or Number of Shares	
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$6.3750				/ 04/19/2005	Common Stock / 4,400.0000	\$ 4,400.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$6.9225				/ 06/18/2005	Common Stock / 9,600.0000	\$ 9,600.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$10.3750				/ 04/17/2006	Common Stock / 14,000.0000	\$ 14,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$13.4375				/ 05/14/2007	Common Stock / 8,000.0000	\$ 8,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$22.2344				/ 04/15/2008	Common Stock / 8,000.0000	\$ 8,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$27.1719				/ 05/26/2009	Common Stock / 9,000.0000	\$ 9,000.0000
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$27.1719				/ 05/26/2009	Common Stock / 9,000.0000	\$ 9,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$16.5938				/ 02/10/2010	Common Stock / 4,500.0000	\$ 4,500.0000
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$16.5938				/ 02/10/2010	Common Stock / 4,500.0000	\$ 4,500.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$24.4300				/ 05/09/2011	Common Stock / 4,500.0000	\$ 4,500.0000
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$24.4300				/ 05/09/2011	Common Stock / 4,500.0000	\$ 4,500.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$22.9950				/ 05/09/2012	Common Stock / 4,500.0000	\$ 4,500.0000
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$22.9950				/ 05/09/2012	Common Stock / 4,500.0000	\$ 4,500.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$14.9250				/ 12/12/2012	Common Stock / 9,000.0000	\$ 9,000.0000

Explanation of Responses:

Mary Elizabeth Van Oflen

** Signature of Reporting Person SEC 2270 (09-02)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

⁻ The total amount of securities directly owned by the reporting person includes shares in the Company's employee benefit plans which are 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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