KROGER CO Form 4 June 30, 2008

# FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

SCHLOTMAN J MICHAEL			Symbol KROGER CO [KR]					Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)  1014 VINE STREET				Earliest T ay/Year) 008	ransactior	ı		Director 10% Owner Senior Vice President				
		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
CINCINNA	ATI, OH 45202							Form filed by I Person	More than One Re	porting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-l	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acq	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution any (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Secur or(A) or E (Instr. 3	Oispose , 4 and (A) or	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	06/27/2008			F	673 <u>(1)</u>	` ´	\$ 28.65	90,885.8028 ( <u>2)</u>	D			
Common Stock								2,805	I	by Children		

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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

SCHLOTMAN J MICHAEL 1014 VINE STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Senior Vice President

### **Signatures**

/s/ J. Michael Schlotman, by Bruce M. Gack, Attorney-in-Fact

06/30/2008

\*\*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 restricted stock.
- 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.

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