KROGER CO Form 8-K June 30, 2014

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: June 30, 2014

(Date of earliest event reported)

THE KROGER CO.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

An Ohio Corporation (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) No. 1-303 (Commission File Number) **31-0345740** (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

1014 Vine Street

Cincinnati, OH 45202

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number: (513) 762-4000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under the following provisions:	any of
o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)	
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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))	

Section 1 Registrant s Busi	ness and Op	<u>erati</u> ons
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On June 30, 2014, The Kroger Co. (the Company) executed an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement) among the Company, the initial lenders named therein, and Bank of America, N.A., as an Issuing Bank and as a co-administrative agent and paying agent, Wells Fargo Bank National Association, as an Issuing Bank and as a co-administrative agent, Citibank, N.A., as syndication agent, and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc and U.S. Bank National Association, as co-documentation agents. The Company entered into the Credit Agreement to amend and restate its existing credit facility. The Credit Agreement provides for a \$2.750 billion unsecured revolving credit facility. The Company has the ability to increase the size of the facility by up to an additional \$750 million, subject to certain conditions. Unless extended, the Credit Agreement will terminate and all amounts outstanding thereunder will be due and payable on June 30, 2019. Certain parties to the Credit Agreement, and affiliates of those parties, provide banking, investment banking and other financial services to the Company from time to time. A copy of the Credit Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

<u>Item 9.01</u> <u>Financial Statements and Exhibits.</u>

(d) <u>Exhibits</u>.

Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated June 30, 2014, among The Kroger Co., the initial lenders named therein, and Bank of America, N.A., as an Issuing Bank and as a co-administrative agent and paying agent, Wells Fargo Bank National Association, as an Issuing Bank and as a co-administrative agent, Citibank, N.A., as syndication agent, and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc and U.S. Bank National Association, as co-documentation agents.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE KROGER CO.

June 30, 2014 By: /s/ Todd A. Foley
Todd A. Foley

Vice President and Treasurer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Exhibit

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