ZINCKE ROBERT E

Form 5

March 07, 2003

SEC Form 5

FORM 5 [] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). [] Form 3 Holdings Reported [X] Form 4 Transactions	ANNUAL S	ED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 TATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Int to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility pany Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940						OMB Numb Expires: Ja Estimated a	per: 3235-0362 nuary 31, 2005 average burden esponse 1.0
Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Zincke, Robert E.		Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	(Middle)			The Kroger Co. KR			X Officer	(Check all applicable) or _ 10% Owner or (give title below) _ Other	
(Street) Cincinnati, OH 45202		I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)			5. If Amendment,		(specify b		nior Vice President
(City) (State)	(Zip)				Filing (C <u>X</u> Form fi			filed by More	cable Line) Reporting Person
T	able I - Non-De	ı erivative S	ecurities Acai	uired.	Disposed of, or	Benefici			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2.Transactic Date (Month/Day	on 2A. Dee Executi Year) any	emed	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Se Acqu Disp (Ir	Amount / Price	5. Amou Secur Benef Owner of	nt of ities cially d at end 's Fiscal	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock					//\$	71,444	.7519	D	
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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 Security (Instr. 3)	vative	Transaction Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	F	Transaction Code (Instr.8)		and	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year Reported Transaction(s)

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			Year)	1	Of (D)	1	1	'	(Instr.4) o
				'	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		1		
				1			Title / Amount or Number of Shares		1
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Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$5.8450					/ 05/18/2004	Common Stock / 48,000.0000	\$	48,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$6.3750		<u> </u>			/ 04/19/2005	Common Stock / 48,000.0000	\$	48,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$10.3750					/ 04/18/2006	Common Stock / 48,000.0000	\$	48,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$13.4375					/ 05/14/2007	Common Stock / 18,000.0000	\$	18,000.0000
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$13.4375					/ 05/14/2007	Common Stock / 18,000.0000	\$	18,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$22.2344					/ 04/15/2008	Common Stock / 18,000.0000	\$	18,000.0000
Stock Option	\$22.2344					/ 04/15/2008	Common Stock / 18,000.0000	\$	18,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$27.1719					/ 05/26/2009	Common Stock / 18,000.0000	\$	18,000.0000
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$27.1719					/ 05/26/2009	Common Stock / 18,000.0000	\$	18,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$16.5938					/ 02/10/2010	Common Stock / 10,000.0000	\$	10,000.0000
Stock Option	\$16.5938					/ 02/10/2010	Common Stock / 10,000.0000	\$	10,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$24.4300		<u> </u>			/ 05/09/2011	Common Stock / 10,000.0000	\$	10,000.0000
Non-Qualified Performance Stock Option	\$24.4300					/ 05/09/2011	Common Stock / 10,000.0000	\$	10,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$22.9950					/ 05/09/2012	Common Stock / 20,000.0000	\$	20,000.0000
Stock Option	\$22.9950					/ 05/09/2012	Common Stock / 10,000.0000	\$	10,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option						/ 12/12/2012	Common Stock / 80,000.000	\$	80,000.0000
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$14.9250	12/12/2002		A4	10,000.000 A	(1) / 12/12/2012	Common Stock / 10,000.0000	\$	10,000.0000

Explanation of Responses:

Bv:	Date:
DV.	Date.

⁽¹⁾ These options were granted under an option 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.

⁻ 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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<u>03/04/2003</u>

Robert E. Zincke

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

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

- * 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).

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