KROGER CO Form 8-K March 02, 2012

# 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: February 29, 2012

(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 any of the following provisions:

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 1	Registrant	s Business	and (	Operations 2 1

#### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On February 29, 2012, The Kroger Co. (the Company) executed an Amendment No. 1. (Amendment No. 1.) to the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement) dated January 25, 2012 among the Company, the initial lenders named therein, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, Citibank, N.A., as syndication agent, and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc, U.S. Bank National Association and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as co-documentation agents, which Credit Agreement was filed as an exhibit to the Company s 8-K filed on January 26, 2012. Amendment No. 1 amends the definition of Consolidated EBITDA in the Credit Agreement. A copy of Amendment No. 1 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>.

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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.

March 2, 2012 By: /s/ Paul Heldman

Paul Heldman

Executive Vice President,

Secretary and General Counsel

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#### EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Exhibit

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