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KROGER CO

CIK: **56873** | IRS No.: **310345740** | State of Incorporation: **OH** | Fiscal Year End: **1230**
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SIC: **5411** Grocery stores

Business Address
1014 VINE ST
CINCINNATI OH 45202
5137624000

Pricing Supplement No. 4
(To Prospectus dated July 6, 1993
and Prospectus Supplement dated
October 15, 1993)

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Rule 424(b)(5)
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Dated: January 21, 1994

THE KROGER CO.

General Term Notes (R), Series B
Due from Nine Months to 25 Years from Date of Issue

Aggregate Principal Amount: \$469,000.00

Fixed or Variable Rate: Variable

Interest Rate:

If Fixed Rate Note:

Interest Rate: N/A

Interest Payment Date(s) (Monthly or Otherwise): N/A

If Variable Rate Note:

Base Rate: Treasury Constant Maturity 1-year as
published in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release
H.15(519) most immediately preceding the applicable
Interest Reset Date

Initial Interest Rate: 6.000%

Interest Reset Period(s): Quarterly

Interest Payment Date(s) (Monthly or Otherwise):
Quarterly on 03/15, 06/15, 09/15 and 12/15, Beginning
03/15/94

Interest Reset Date(s): Third Wednesday of each of
March, June, September and December

Spread, If Any: 225 Basis Points (subject to the
applicable Minimum Interest Rate and Maximum Interest
Rate)

Maximum Interest Rate, If Any: 10.000%

Minimum Interest Rate, If Any: 6.000%

Stated Maturity Date: December 15, 2000

Purchase Price: 97.650% of Principal Amount

Issue Date: January 27, 1994

Optional Redemption by the Company:

Initial Optional Redemption Date: 12/15/96

Redemption Price(s): 12/15/96 and
thereafter - 100%

Applicable Premium(s), if any: None

Under the Credit Agreement, the Senior Lenders' consent may be required prior to any optional redemption of the Notes. See "DESCRIPTION OF THE CREDIT AGREEMENT-Certain Covenants-Prepayment of Other Debt" in the Prospectus.

Agent	Principal Amount of Notes to be Purchased
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Kemper Securities, Inc.	\$ 0.00
J.J.B. Hilliard, W.L. Lyons, Inc.	212,000.00
J. W. Korth & Company	257,000.00

Total	\$ 469,000.00
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	Per Note	Total
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Prices to Public:	100.00%	\$469,000.00
Underwriter's Discount or Commission	2.350%	\$11,021.50
Maximum Dealer's Discount or Selling Concession:	1.750%	\$8,207.50
Proceeds to The Kroger Co.:	97.650%	\$457,978.50

CUSIP Number: 50104R-AD-2

Terms defined in the Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplement are used in this Pricing Supplement as so defined.

(R) Registered service mark of J. W. Korth & Company