

KROGER CO  
Form FWP  
December 16, 2013

**Free Writing Prospectus**

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**The Kroger Co.**

Pricing Term Sheet

Dated December 16, 2013

Issuer:	The Kroger Co.
Trade Date:	December 16, 2013
Settlement Date:	December 23, 2013 (T+5)
Denominations:	\$2,000 x \$1,000
Ratings:	Baa2/BBB/BBB (Stable/Stable/Stable)

Senior Floating Rate Notes due 2016

Principal Amount:	\$500,000,000
Security Type:	Senior Floating Rate Notes
Maturity:	October 17, 2016
Initial Interest Rate:	To be determined two London business days before December 23, 2013 based on an interpolated LIBOR (as described in the following sentence) plus the Floating Rate Spread. Long first coupon interpolated between 3 month and 6 month LIBOR
Price to Public:	100.000%
Floating Rate Spread:	+ 53 bps
Reference Rate:	3-month LIBOR
Interest Payment and Reset Dates:	Quarterly on January 17, April 17, July 17 and October 17 commencing April 17, 2014
Make-Whole Call:	None
Interest Determination Date:	Second London business day preceding each Reset Date
Day Count Convention:	Actual/360
CUSIP/ISIN:	501044 CV1 / US501044CV14

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1.200% Notes due 2016

Principal Amount:	\$300,000,000
Security Type:	Senior Notes
Maturity:	October 17, 2016
Coupon:	1.200%
Price to Public:	99.937%
Yield to Maturity:	1.223%
Spread to Benchmark Treasury:	T + 55 bps
Benchmark Treasury:	UST 0.625% due December 15, 2016

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Benchmark Treasury Spot and Yield: 99-27+ and 0.673%  
Interest Payment Dates: April 17 and October 17, commencing April 17, 2014  
Make-Whole Call: Treasury Rate plus 8 basis points  
CUSIP/ISIN: 501044 CU3 / US501044CU31

### 2.300% Notes due 2019

Principal Amount: \$500,000,000  
Security Type: Senior Notes  
Maturity: January 15, 2019  
Coupon: 2.300%  
Price to Public: 99.852%  
Yield to Maturity: 2.331%  
Spread to Benchmark Treasury: T + 80 bps  
Benchmark Treasury: UST 1.250% due November 30, 2018  
Benchmark Treasury Spot and Yield: 98-21¼ and 1.531%  
Interest Payment Dates: January 15 and July 15, commencing July 15, 2014  
Make-Whole Call: Treasury Rate plus 12 basis points (prior to December 15, 2018)  
Par Call: On or after December 15, 2018 (one month prior to maturity)  
CUSIP/ISIN: 501044 CW9 / US501044CW96

### 3.300% Notes due 2021

Principal Amount: \$700,000,000  
Security Type: Senior Notes  
Maturity: January 15, 2021  
Coupon: 3.300%  
Price to Public: 99.755%  
Yield to Maturity: 3.339%  
Spread to Benchmark Treasury: T + 110 bps  
Benchmark Treasury: UST 2.000% due November 30, 2020  
Benchmark Treasury Spot and Yield: 98-15 and 2.239%  
Interest Payment Dates: January 15 and July 15, commencing July 15, 2014  
Make-Whole Call: Treasury Rate plus 16 basis points (prior to December 15, 2020)  
Par Call: On or after December 15, 2020 (one month prior to maturity)  
CUSIP/ISIN: 501044 CX7 / US501044CX79

Joint Bookrunners: Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated  
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RBS Securities Inc.

Co-Managers: Fifth Third Securities, Inc.  
BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC  
Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc.  
RBC Capital Markets, LLC  
PNC Capital Markets LLC  
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