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Mr. Steven V. King, Executive Director Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W. P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Attn: Filing Center

Re: Docket No. UE-170033/UG-170034 (Consolidated)

Dear Mr. King:

Enclosed please find the original and eleven (11) copies of the PREFILED RESPONSE TESTIMONY AND EXHIBITS OF KEVIN C. HIGGINS on behalf of THE KROGER CO. for filing in the above-referenced dockets. Please note that we also filed the above via electronic mail on same date.

By copy of this letter, all parties listed on the Certificate of Service have been electronically served. Please place this document of file.

Very Truly Yours,

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