The Kroger Family of Companies



## **Greenhouse Gas Reduction Goal**

As America's grocer, the Kroger Family of Companies is committed to protecting people and our planet by advancing positive change in our company and our communities. Through Kroger's <u>Zero Hunger | Zero Waste</u> social impact plan, we are on a journey to help create communities free of hunger and waste by 2025.

We remain focused on and dedicated to our <u>Sustainability Commitment</u>, and have made steady progress in recent years toward our <u>2020 Sustainability Goals</u>.

As responsible stewards of our natural resources, Kroger recognizes the importance of reducing our impacts on the climate. We have implemented programs to manage risks and opportunities related to energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions in our Retail, Manufacturing and Supply Chain operations.

We established climate-related goals in each of these areas of the business and continue to advance our progress through strategic investments, engagement in programs like U.S. EPA ENERGY STAR and U.S. EPA GreenChill, and by piloting new technologies such as lower emissions refrigerants.

As we complete our 2020 sustainability goals, we are thoughtfully introducing next-generation commitments that will shape our priorities into the next decade while also being mindful of business imperatives.

As a result:

## Kroger commits to reduce its absolute enterprise-wide greenhouse gas emissions by 30% by 2030, from a 2018 base year.

To define Kroger's commitment to reducing climate impacts from our business, we leveraged the expertise of a third-party consultant and incorporated feedback from many internal subject matter experts and external stakeholders. We conducted a comprehensive, cross-functional target-setting workshop internally to convene leaders and align on a goal.

Our 2030 goal was developed using climate science and is aligned with the Paris Agreement, specifically supporting a well-below 2°C climate scenario according to the absolute contraction method. We will evaluate the feasibility of converting this to a formal science-based target in the future.

To achieve our goal, the Sustainability team will work in partnership with business and functional leaders to introduce and evaluate the feasibility and potential benefits of carbon-reduction projects across the company where possible, aligned with business benchmarks.

More information about our carbon reduction initiatives can be found in our <u>Environmental</u>, <u>Social & Governance (ESG) Report</u> and our response to the annual <u>CDP Climate</u> questionnaire.