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A's Trade Kouzmanoff to Colorado for Player to be Named Later

OAKLAND, CALIF. - The Oakland A's announced today that they have sent third baseman Kevin Kouzmanoff and cash to the Colorado Rockies for a player to be named later or cash considerations.

Kouzmanoff, 30, was hitting .302 with 24 doubles, one triple, 13 home runs and 58 RBI in 61 games at Triple-A Sacramento. The A's originally acquired the veteran third baseman and Eric Sogard from San Diego Jan. 16, 2010 in exchange for Scott Hairston and Aaron Cunningham. Kouzmanoff batted .247 in 143 games for Oakland last season, leading the team in home runs (16) and tying for the club lead in RBI (71).

He made the A's Opening Day roster this year but was optioned to Sacramento June 6 after hitting .221 with four homers and 17 RBI in 46 games in Oakland. Kouzmanoff, who makes Evergreen, Colo. his offseason home, was hitting .364 (16-for-44) with seven doubles and six RBI in his last 10 games with the River Cats. He previously played three seasons with San Diego (2007-09) and part of one season with Cleveland (2006).

The 2011 and career statistics for Kouzmanoff:

	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
OAKLAND	.221	46	136	13	30	6	0	4	17	8	27	2	0	.353	.262
Sacramento	.302	61	262	41	79	24	1	13	58	11	36	1	1	.550	.341
ML CAREER	.255	645	2380	254	608	132	8	82	345	119	474	6	1	.421	.300

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