

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW

Form 4

April 28, 2006

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WALKER THOMAS KIRK**

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP  
/NEW [COST]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**999 LAKE DRIVE**  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**04/28/2006**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive VP

**ISSAQUAH, WA 98027**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
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\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/28/2006		M		80,000	A	\$ 22.87
Common Stock	04/28/2006		M		80,000	A	\$ 36.9063
Common Stock	04/28/2006		M		60,000	A	\$ 43
Common Stock	04/28/2006		M		60,000	A	\$ 34.28
Common Stock	04/28/2006		S		280,000	D	\$ 54.3537

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 22.875	04/28/2006		M		80,000		02/17/1998	02/17/2008	Common Stock	80,000
Stock Option	\$ 36.9063	04/28/2006		M		80,000		02/09/1999	02/09/2009	Common Stock	80,000
Stock Option	\$ 43	04/28/2006		M		60,000		03/13/2000	03/13/2010	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option	\$ 34.28	04/28/2006		M		60,000		04/24/2001	04/24/2011	Common Stock	60,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
WALKER THOMAS KIRK 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027	Executive VP

## Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima,  
attorney-in-fact 04/28/2004

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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