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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** RUCKELSHAUS JILL S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW [COST]				<u>.</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) P.O. BOX	, ,	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2008				_X_ Director Officer (give to below)	title 10% Owner Other (specify below)			
(Street) MEDINA, WA 98039			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tak	ole I - Non	-Derivati	ve Sec		Person uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)		osed o , 4 and (A)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4) (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	06/30/2008			M M	16,00	`	\$ 44.9688	25,566	D		
Common Stock	06/30/2008			S	16,00) D	(1)	9,566	D		

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1. Title Derivat Security (Instr. 3	ive Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of stiorDerivative Securities (b) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date		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	\$ 44 96XX	06/30/2008	M		16,000	04/01/1999	04/01/2009	Common Stock	16,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RUCKELSHAUS JILL S P.O. BOX 76 MEDINA, WA 98039	X						

Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima, attorney-in-fact 06/30/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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