

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW  
Form 8-K  
August 30, 2006

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

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported) August 30, 2006

**COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Washington**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**0-20355**  
(Commission File No.)

**91-1223280**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**999 Lake Drive**  
**Issaquah, WA 98027**

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 425-313-8100

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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**Item 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION**

On August 30, 2006, the Company issued a press release containing its August sales results and revised earnings outlook for its fiscal fourth quarter. A copy of the press release is included in Item 9.01.

**Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are included in this report:

99.1 Press release dated August 30, 2006.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized, on August 30, 2006.

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Richard A. Galanti  
Richard A. Galanti, Executive Vice

President and Chief Financial Officer