

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 SCHUTT DOUGLAS W

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)  
 05/02/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ 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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(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	05/02/2008		M		4,000	A	\$ 38.79
Common Stock	05/02/2008		M		12,000	A	\$ 30.41
Common Stock	05/02/2008		M		36,000	A	\$ 39.25
Common Stock	05/02/2008		M		24,000	A	\$ 33.75
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S		76,000	D	\$ 35,131

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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	\$ 38.79	05/02/2008		M	4,000	04/02/2002	04/02/2012	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Option	\$ 30.41	05/02/2008		M	12,000	04/01/2003	04/01/2013	Common Stock	12,000
Stock Option	\$ 39.25	05/02/2008		M	36,000	04/02/2002	04/02/2012	Common Stock	36,000
Stock Option	\$ 33.75	05/02/2008		M	24,000	04/01/2003	04/01/2013	Common Stock	24,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHUTT DOUGLAS W 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027			Executive VP	

## Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima,  
attorney-in-fact

05/02/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Sold as: 8690 @ 72.5000 100 @ 72.5050 6464 @ 72.5100 5200 @ 72.5150 100 @ 72.5175 2500 @ 72.5200 3100 @ 72.5250 4782 @ 72.5300 1009 @ 72.5400 100 @ 72.5425 15100 @ 72.5450 4400 @ 72.5500 100 @ 72.5550 1200 @ 72.5600 3100 @ 72.5650 1100 @

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72.5700 800 @ 72.5750 5029 @ 72.5800 1000 @ 72.5900 1225 @ 72.6000 601 @ 72.6050 500 @ 72.6100 900 @ 72.6150 3100 @  
72.6200 500 @ 72.6250 200 @ 72.6300 1300 @ 72.6350 100 @ 72.6375 1000 @ 72.6400 100 @ 72.6500 700 @ 72.6700 100 @  
72.6750 300 @ 72.6800 300 @ 72.6900 100 @ 72.6950 100 @ 72.7000 200 @ 72.7100 200 @ 72.7200 200 @ 72.7300 200 @ 72.7400  
100 @ 72.7550 100 @ 75.7600

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