

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW  
Form 8-K  
October 12, 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) October 12, 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.)  
**999 Lake Drive**

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

**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):

- ..  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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.. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

On October 12, 2006, the Company issued a press release containing its results of operations for the 17 weeks (fourth quarter) and the 53 weeks (fiscal year) ended September 3, 2006. A copy of the press release is included in Item 9.01.

**Item 8.01 OTHER EVENTS**

A special committee of the board of directors of the Company has issued a report and recommendation concerning its examination of the Company's stock option practices. As described more fully in the release, the Company has adopted accounting and other changes as a result of this report.

**Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

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

99.1 Press release dated October 12, 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 October 12, 2006.

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Richard A. Galanti  
Richard A. Galanti,  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer