SINEGAL JAMES D

Form 4

December 18, 2008

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SINEGAL JAMES D			S	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) 999 LAKE I		(3. Date of Month/Date 12/15/20	•	ansaction			_X_ Director _X_ Officer (give below)		Owner r (specify	
	ISSAQUAH	(Street)			ndment, Dai th/Day/Year)	U			6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by M Person	One Reporting Per	rson	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curiti	es Acqı	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution I any (Month/Da	Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie (A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 a	osed cand 5) (A) or	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
	Common Stock	12/15/2008			Code V S	Amount 50,000	(D)	Price (1) (2)	579,766	D		
	Common	12/15/2008			S	150,000	D	(<u>3)</u> (<u>4</u>)	1 510 181	Ť	R _v IIC	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SINEGAL JAMES D 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027	X		President and CEO					

Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima, 12/15/2008 attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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