

SINEGAL JAMES D
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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 *
 SINEGAL JAMES D

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/18/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

999 LAKE DRIVE
 (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

ISSAQUAH, WA 98027
 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	04/18/2012		S ⁽¹⁾		16,000	D	<u>2</u>
Common Stock					867,573	D	
Common Stock					942,708	I	By LLC
Common Stock					84,669	I	By GRAT
Common Stock					84,669	I	By Spouse's GRAT

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

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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SINEGAL JAMES D 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027		X		

Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima,
attorney-in-fact
04/18/2012

**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) This sale was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan.

Shares sold as follows: 200 @ 87.1900 97 @ 87.2000 100 @ 87.2200 100 @ 87.2250 100 @ 87.2300 200 @ 87.2500 100 @ 87.2600 100 @ 87.2700 5500 @ 87.3000 100 @ 87.3300 100 @ 87.3400 100 @ 87.3600 100 @ 87.3700 200 @ 87.3900 200 @ 87.4000 200 @ 87.4200 200 @ 87.4300 100 @ 87.4500 300 @ 87.4800 500 @ 87.4900 100 @ 87.5000 400 @ 87.5050 300 @ 87.5100 600 @ 87.5200 300 @ 87.5300 100 @ 87.5700 400 @ 87.5900 400 @ 87.6000 1203 @ 87.6100 700 @ 87.6300 200 @ 87.6400 700 @ 87.6500 400 @ 87.6600 300 @ 87.6700 300 @ 87.6800 200 @ 87.6901 300 @ 87.7000 100 @ 87.7100 300 @ 87.7200 100 @ 87.7600

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