

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW
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FORM 4

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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 *
 LAZARUS FRANZ E

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)
 10/22/2015

____ 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)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 | 10/22/2015 | | F | 393 | D | \$ 158.15 | 30,634 | D |
| | | | | | | (1) | | |
| Common Stock | 10/22/2015 | | F | 393 | D | \$ 158.15 | 30,241 | D |
| | | | | | | (1) | | |
| Common Stock | 10/22/2015 | | F | 786 | D | \$ 158.15 | 29,455 | D |
| | | | | | | (1) | | |
| Common Stock | 10/22/2015 | | F | 614 | D | \$ 158.15 | 28,841 | D |

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|--------------|------------|---|-----|---|----------------------------|--------|---|----------------------|
| Common Stock | 10/22/2015 | F | 613 | D | <u>(1)</u> \$ 158.15 | 28,228 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | <u>(1)</u> | 23,280 | I | Lazarus Family Trust |

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 Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LAZARUS FRANZ E 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027 | | | Executive VP | |

Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima,
attorney-in-fact

10/26/2015

__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 transaction is a withholding by the Company for taxes in connection with the vesting of previously granted restricted stock units.
The price represents the closing market price of Costco common stock on NASDAQ on October 22, 2015.

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