

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW

Form 4

October 11, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WALKER THOMAS KIRK

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)
10/10/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Executive VP

ISSAQUAH, WA 98027-8990

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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Person

(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 | 10/10/2005 | | M | | 20,000 | A | \$ 8.75 |
| | | | | | | | 172,159 |
| Common Stock | 10/10/2005 | | M | | 50,000 | A | \$ 13.4375 |
| | | | | | | | 222,159 |
| Common Stock | 10/10/2005 | | S | | 70,000 | D | \$ 45.3293 |
| | | | | | | | 152,159 |

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) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|-----|---|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option | \$ 8.75 | 10/10/2005 | | M | | 20,000 | | 04/10/1996 | 04/10/2006 | Common Stock | 20,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 13.4375 | 10/10/2005 | | M | | 50,000 | | 04/02/1997 | 04/02/2007 | Common Stock | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| WALKER THOMAS KIRK 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027-8990 | Executive VP |

Signatures

Thomas K.
Walker 10/10/2005

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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

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