

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 \*  
PORTERA JOSEPH P

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)  
06/06/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive VP

ISSAQUAH, WA 98027-8990

(City) (State) (Zip)

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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**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 75,000 A \$ 43  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 15,000 A \$ 38.79   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 15,000 A \$ 30.41   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 15,000 A \$ 37.35   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 15,000 A \$ 34.28   | D  |                                   |

Common Stock 06/06/2005 S 135,000 D \$ 45.85 0 D

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                               | \$ 30.41   | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              | 15,000  | 04/01/2003 04/01/2013                                    | Common Stock 15,000   |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 34.28   | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              | 15,000  | 04/24/2001 04/24/2011                                    | Common Stock 15,000   |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 37.35   | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              | 15,000  | 04/01/2005 03/31/2014                                    | Common Stock 15,000   |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 38.79   | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              | 15,000  | 04/01/2002 04/01/2012                                    | Common Stock 15,000   |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 43  | 06/06/2005                           |  | M                              | 75,000  | 03/13/2000 03/13/2010                                    | Common Stock 75,000   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships |           |              |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer      | Other |
| PORTERA JOSEPH P<br>999 LAKE DRIVE<br>ISSAQUAH, WA 98027-8990 |               |           | Executive VP |       |

## Signatures

Joseph P Portera 06/06/2005  
 \*\*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).

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