JELINEK W CRAIG

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JELINEK W CRAIG			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		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2009	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive VP		
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
ISSAQUAH, V	WA 98017			Form filed by More than One Reporting 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of	` '	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)	
Common Stock	02/06/2009		M	50,000	A	\$ 36.9063	153,664	D		
Common Stock	02/06/2009		S	50,000	D	<u>(1)</u>	103,664	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)			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	\$ 36.9063	02/06/2009		M		50,000	02/09/1999	02/09/2009	Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JELINEK W CRAIG 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98017

Executive VP

Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima, attorney-in-fact

02/06/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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(1) 44.2500 100 @ 44.2556 1500 @ 44.2600 1100 @ 44.2700 2474 @ 44.2800 1326 @ 44.2900 1700 @ 44.3000 1000 @ 44.3200 300 @ 44.3300 400 @ 44.3400 66 @ 44.3600 100 @ 44.3800 100 @ 44.3900 50 @ 44.4000 1200 @ 44.4100 84 @ 44.4300 94 @ 44.4425 2306 @ 44.4500 2800 @ 44.5900 1700 @ 44.6700 400 @ 44.6900 500 @ 44.7300 2700 @ 44.7500 600 @ 44.7525 335 @ 44.8000 400 @ 44.8200 281 @ 44.8300

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