

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW

Form 4

October 25, 2016

**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 \*  
**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)  
**10/14/2016**

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

**ISSAQUAH, WA 98027**

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  
\_\_\_\_ 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<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 10/14/2016                              |                                                             | J                                    | V 7,404 D                                                           | <u>(1)</u> 39,707                                                                                                  | D                                                                    |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 10/22/2016                              |                                                             | F                                    | 891 D                                                               | \$<br>148.97 <u>(2)</u> 38,816                                                                                     | D                                                                    |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 10/22/2016                              |                                                             | F                                    | 892 D                                                               | \$<br>148.97 <u>(2)</u> 37,924                                                                                     | D                                                                    |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 10/22/2016                              |                                                             | F                                    | 697 D                                                               | \$<br>148.97 <u>(2)</u> 37,227                                                                                     | D                                                                    |                                                                   |

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|              |            |   |     |       |                     |            |       |   |                      |
|--------------|------------|---|-----|-------|---------------------|------------|-------|---|----------------------|
| Common Stock | 10/22/2016 | F | 697 | D     | \$<br><u>148.97</u> | 36,530     | D     |   |                      |
| Common Stock | 10/22/2016 | F | 587 | D     | \$<br><u>148.97</u> | 35,943     | D     |   |                      |
| Common Stock | 10/14/2016 | J | V   | 7,404 | A                   | <u>(1)</u> | 7,404 | I | Portera 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 Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V (A) (D)                                                                               | Date Exercisable                                         | Expiration Date                                               | Amount or Number of Shares                 |                                                                                                 |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PORTERA JOSEPH P  
999 LAKE DRIVE  
ISSAQUAH, WA 98027

Executive VP

## Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima,  
attorney-in-fact

10/25/2016

\_\_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) Transfer from direct to indirect.

(2) 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 21, 2016.

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