

BROTMAN JEFFREY H  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
BROTMAN JEFFREY H

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)  
11/17/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman of the Board

ISSAQUAH, WA 98027

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/17/2011		S	39,898 D <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	94,995	D	
Common Stock					626,703.04 <u>(3)</u>	I	1984 Brotman Family Trust
Common Stock					20	I	Justin Brotman

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 Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BROTMAN JEFFREY H 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027	X		Chairman of the Board	

## Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima,  
attorney-in-fact  
Date: 11/17/2011

\*\*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).
- Shares sold as follows: 100 @ 82.2500 1100 @ 82.2600 2013 @ 82.2700 700 @ 82.2800 500 @ 82.2900 200 @ 82.2950 400 @ 82.3000 400 @ 82.3100 200 @ 82.3150 500 @ 82.3300 2684 @ 82.3600 200 @ 82.3650 100 @ 82.3680 716 @ 82.3700 1100 @ 82.3750 1292 @ 82.3800 100 @ 82.3860 442 @ 82.3900 100 @ 82.3950 471 @ 82.4000 100 @ 82.4050 200 @ 82.4090 300 @ 82.4100 400 @ 82.4150 200 @ 82.4170 400 @ 82.4175 3400 @ 82.4200 100 @ 82.4225 400 @ 82.4250 400 @ 82.4300 100 @ 82.4350 900 @ 82.4400 500 @ 82.4500 500 @ 82.4550 517 @ 82.4600 300 @ 82.4700 100 @ 82.4750 400 @ 82.4800 600 @ 82.4900 100 @ 82.5000 1700 @ 82.5100 600 @ 82.5200 100 @ 82.5250 500 @ 82.5300 300 @ 82.5350 700 @ 82.5400 200 @ 82.5450 800 @ 82.5500 300 @ 82.5600 200 @ 82.5650 1100 @ 82.5700 1041 @ 82.5800 322 @ 82.5900 100 @ 82.5925
- Share sold as follows (continued): 200 @ 82.6000 200 @ 82.6300 400 @ 82.6350 200 @ 82.6400 300 @ 82.6450 700 @ 82.6500 1300 @ 82.6600 100 @ 82.6750 600 @ 82.6800 1400 @ 82.6900 1200 @ 82.7000 100 @ 82.7150 800 @ 82.7200 100 @ 82.7250 100 @ 82.7300 100 @ 82.7400 100 @ 82.7500 800 @ 82.7600
- (3) Mr. Brotman disclaims beneficial ownership of shares owned by the trust. Mr. Brotman is not a trustee of this trust nor does he have investment control over the trust's assets. Mr. Brotman is one of a number of beneficiaries of the trust.

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