

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 \*  
**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)  
**10/09/2015**

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)  
 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 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	10/09/2015		J <sup>(1)</sup>	60,000 A \$ 153.97	149,945	D	
Common Stock	10/09/2015		S	42,493 D \$ 154.0113	107,452	D	
Common Stock	10/09/2015		J <sup>(1)</sup>	60,000 D \$ 153.97	395,495.04	I	1984 Brotman 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)

Table with 10 columns: 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 Beneficially (Instr. 5), 10. Date of Report and Transaction (Instr. 5). Includes sub-headers for Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, and Title or Number of Shares.

### Reporting Owners

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Includes entry for BROTMAN JEFFREY H, 999 LAKE DRIVE, ISSAQUAH, WA 98027, with relationships: Director (X), 10% Owner, Officer, Chairman of the Board, Other.

### Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima, attorney-in-fact, 10/14/2015

\*\*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) On the date reported, Mr. Brotman received a distribution of 60,000 shares from the 1984 Brotman Family Trust that did not involve a market transaction. The price represents the closing market price of Costco common stock on NASDAQ on October 9, 2015. The price shown is a weighted average sale price for shares sold in multiple transactions; the sale prices ranged from \$153.82 to \$154.25 per share. The reporting person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.
(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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