

BROTMAN JEFFREY H  
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**FORM 4**

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

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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)  
11/16/2011

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	11/16/2011		S	60,000 D $\frac{(1)}{(2)} \frac{(3)}$	626,703.04 $\frac{(4)}$	I	1984 Brotman Family Trust
Common Stock					134,893	D	
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. 5)
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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

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 @ 82.8700 100 @ 82.8900 112 @ 82.9100 90 @ 82.9400 200 @ 82.9500 100 @ 82.9700 100 @ 82.9800 900 @ 82.9900 100 @ 83.0000 500 @ 83.0100 100 @ 83.0150 500 @ 83.0200 79 @ 83.0300 300 @ 83.0350 200 @ 83.0400 400 @ 83.0500 100 @ 83.0575 600 @ 83.0600 100 @ 83.0650 300 @ 83.0700 100 @ 83.0800 100 @ 83.0850 200 @ 83.0900 100 @ 83.0950
- (1) 700 @ 83.1000 465 @ 83.1100 100 @ 83.1150 500 @ 83.1200 300 @ 83.1300 500 @ 83.1400 300 @ 83.1450 800 @ 83.1500 200 @ 83.1600 300 @ 83.1700 300 @ 83.1800 100 @ 83.1850 500 @ 83.1900 700 @ 83.2000 1000 @ 83.2100 100 @ 83.2175 1080 @ 83.2200 100 @ 83.2250 900 @ 83.2300 200 @ 83.2350 700 @ 83.2400 100 @ 83.2450 500 @ 83.2500 100 @ 83.2575 500 @ 83.2600 300 @ 83.2700 200 @ 83.2800 600 @ 83.2900 500 @ 83.3100 100 @ 83.3200
- (2) Shares sold as follows (continued): 100 @ 83.3300 100 @ 83.3400 300 @ 83.3600 100 @ 83.4150 800 @ 83.4200 100 @ 83.4250 300 @ 83.4300 600 @ 83.4700 500 @ 83.4800 100 @ 83.4900 171 @ 83.6000 100 @ 83.6050 729 @ 83.6100 500 @ 83.6200 100 @ 83.6250 100 @ 83.6300 200 @ 83.6700 200 @ 83.6800 79 @ 83.6900 401 @ 83.7000 300 @ 83.7100 100 @ 83.7150 100 @ 83.7200 200 @ 83.7300 100 @ 83.7350 300 @ 83.7500 100 @ 83.7550 900 @ 83.7600 100 @ 83.7700 100 @ 83.7800 100 @ 83.7850 200 @ 83.7900 300 @ 83.8000 200 @ 83.8050 700 @ 83.8100 200 @ 83.8200 200 @ 83.8400 200 @ 83.8600 200 @ 83.8650 100 @ 83.8775 600 @ 83.8800 300 @ 83.9300 400 @ 83.9400 200 @ 83.9500 200 @ 83.9800 1000 @ 83.9900 1400 @ 84.0000 600 @ 84.0100 100 @

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84.0150 300 @ 84.0200 2200 @ 84.0300 800 @ 84.0400 600 @ 84.0500

Shares sold as follows (continued): 700 @ 84.0600 200 @ 84.0650 1808 @ 84.0700 2100 @ 84.0800 600 @ 84.0900 400 @ 84.1000 100 @ 84.1050 2100 @ 84.1100 100 @ 84.1150 1300 @ 84.1200 500 @ 84.1300 300 @ 84.1400 1200 @ 84.1500 500 @ 84.1600 900 @ 84.1700 1622 @ 84.1800 700 @ 84.1900 600 @ 84.2000 900 @ 84.2100 1200 @ 84.2200 300 @ 84.2300 800 @ 84.2350 900 @ 84.2400 300 @ 84.2600 300 @ 84.2800 900 @ 84.2900 664 @ 84.3000 800 @ 84.3400

- (3)
- (4) 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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