MEISENBACH JOHN W

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Common

Stock

03/08/2010

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MEISENBACH JOHN W			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)		(Middle) 3. Date of (Month/D			Γran	saction			_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify
1325 4TH AVE., SUITE 2100			03/05/2010					,	,		
(Street)			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			
SEATTLE, WA 98101									Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-	Der	rivative S	ecuri	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	emed on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	tion((4. Securiti (A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/05/2010			M	1	12,000	A	\$ 52.5	25,500	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2010			S]	12,000	D	<u>(1)</u>	13,500	D	
Common											Trustee -

30,640 D

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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 ctionDerivative Securities 3) 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 52.5	03/05/2010		M		12,000	04/03/2000	04/03/2010	Common Stock	12,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MEISENBACH JOHN W 1325 4TH AVE., SUITE 2100 SEATTLE, WA 98101	X						

Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima, 03/08/2010 attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Shares sold as follows: 500 @ 60.630 300 @ 60.650 200 @ 60.670 900 @ 60.680 800 @ 60.690 900 @ 60.695 800 @ 60.700 260 @ 60.710 1100 @ 60.720 900 @ 60.730 2840 @ 60.740 500 @ 60.750 300 @ 60.760 300 @ 60.780 900 @ 60.800 500 @ 60.810
- (2) Shares sold as follows: 13300 @ 60.7100 5434 @ 60.7166 5050 @ 60.7249 446 @ 60.7300 100 @ 60.7302 6010 @ 60.7400 300 @ 60.7401

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