SINEGAL JAMES D

Form 4

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OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB** 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SINEGAL JAMES D Issuer Symbol COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP (Check all applicable) /NEW [COST] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 999 LAKE DRIVE 12/14/2011 **CEO** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ISSAQUAH, WA 98027 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial any

		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/14/2011		S(1)	8,000	D	<u>(2)</u>	806,261	D	
Common Stock							1,119,410	I	By LLC
Common Stock							60,964	I	By GRAT
Common Stock							60,964	I	By Spouse's GRAT

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities	3		(Instr.	. 3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	Title	or Number		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	of		
				Codo V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SINEGAL JAMES D							
999 LAKE DRIVE	X		CEO				
ISSAQUAH, WA 98027							

Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima, attorney-in-fact

**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) This sale was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan.

Shares sold as follows: 200 @ 83.15 500 @ 83.19 300 @ 83.20 200 @ 83.22 300 @ 83.23 400 @ 83.28 100 @ 83.29 100 @ 83.31 100

(2) @ 83.37 100 @ 83.48 100 @ 83.41 100 @ 83.43 300 @ 83.44 1700 @ 83.45 400 @ 83.46 500 @ 83.47 300 @ 83.49 400 @ 83.50 500 @ 83.51 200 @ 83.53 200 @ 83.54 100 @ 83.55 300 @ 83.57 100 @ 83.58 100 @ 83.62 200 @ 83.65 200 @ 83.66

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