JELINEK W CRAIG

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JELINEK W CRAIG			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		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/12/2012	_X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) President and COO		
	(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting		
ISSAQUAH, WA 98017				Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/12/2012		M	45,000	A	\$ 39.25	206,817	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2012		M	30,000	A	\$ 38.79	236,817	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2012		S	75,000	D	<u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	161,817	D	

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 ctionDerivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		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	\$ 38.79	03/12/2012		M		30,000	04/02/2002	04/02/2012	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option	\$ 39.25	03/12/2012		M		45,000	04/02/2002	04/02/2012	Common Stock	45,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
JELINEK W CRAIG								
999 LAKE DRIVE	X		President and COO					
ISSAOUAH, WA 98017								

Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima, attorney-in-fact 03/13/2012

**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: 770 @ \$89.4100 230 @ \$89.4200 700 @ \$89.4300 703 @ \$89.4400 1800 @ \$89.4500 97 @ \$89.4600 1182 @ \$89.4700 100 @ \$89.4713 100 @ \$89.4715 500 @ \$89.4780 839 @ \$89.4800 2679 @ \$89.4900 3700 @ \$89.5000 4012 @ \$89.5100

(1) 800 @ \$89.5114 100 @ \$89.5122 2002 @ \$89.5200 100 @ \$89.5212 1700 @ \$89.5300 243 @ \$89.5400 3543 @ \$89.5500 100 @ \$89.5501 100 @ \$89.5518 714 @ \$89.5600 100 @ \$89.5650 200 @ \$89.5677 2386 @ \$89.5700 100 @ \$89.5724 200 @ \$89.5732 300 @ \$89.5762

Shares sold as follows (continued): 1852 @ \$89.5800 195 @ \$89.5807 200 @ \$89.5813 200 @ \$89.5816 200 @ \$89.5829 1800 @ \$89.5850 6701 @ \$89.5900 200 @ \$89.5907 400 @ \$89.5909 200 @ \$89.5910 1052 @ \$89.5914 100 @ \$89.5950 5654 @ \$89.6000

(2) 100 @ \$89.6002 100 @ \$89.6003 200 @ \$89.6007 400 @ \$89.6012 303 @ \$89.6033 200 @ \$89.6050 900 @ \$89.6077 5521 @ \$89.6100 200 @ \$89.6105 200 @ \$89.6112 100 @ \$89.6118 100 @ \$89.6120 300 @ \$89.6128 46 @ \$89.6186 1403 @ \$89.6200 2602 @ \$89.6250 111 @ \$89.6254 3917 @ \$89.6300 200 @ \$89.6350 2797 @ \$89.6400 700 @ \$89.6450 5646 @ \$89.6500 100 @ \$89.6501

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