#### PORTERA JOSEPH P

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

PORTERA JOSEPH P

Symbol

(Check all applicable)

/NEW [COST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

999 LAKE DRIVE

(Last)

(Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

12/12/2012

below) Executive VP

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

ISSAQUAH, WA 98027

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

98.31

Code V Amount (D) Price \$

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 12/12/2012 Stock

2,541 Α (1)

115,529

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)

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PORTERA JOSEPH P 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027

Executive VP

### **Signatures**

Deanna K. Nakashima, 12/13/2012 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).

Represents additional restricted stock units ("RSUs") resulting from the upward adjustment of outstanding unvested RSUs by a factor of 1.0763 in connection with the \$7.00 per share special cash dividend payable by the issuer to shareholders of record on December 10, 2012. The adjustment was required under the plan documents governing the grants. The RSUs reported are subject to the same vesting schedules as the original RSUs to which they relate.

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