

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
MOULTON PAUL G

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)  
10/12/2007

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive VP

ISSAQUAH, WA 98027

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
				Code	V	Amount				
Common Stock	10/12/2007		M		30,000	A	\$ 38.79	67,238	D	
Common Stock	10/12/2007		M		45,000	A	\$ 39.25	112,238	D	
Common Stock	10/12/2007		S		75,000	D	<u>1</u>	37,238	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 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 38.79	10/12/2007		M	30,000	04/02/2002 04/02/2012	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option	\$ 39.25	10/12/2007		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
MOULTON PAUL G 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027			Executive VP	

## Signatures

Deanna K. Nakashima,  
attorney-in-fact

10/12/2007

\_\_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 were sold as follows: 400 @ 67.55000 600 @ 67.56000 4966 @ 67.57000 300 @ 67.58000 500 @ 67.59000 100 @ 67.60000 100 @ 67.61000 5650 @ 67.62000 1550 @ 67.63000 234 @ 67.64000 100 @ 67.65000 1700 @ 67.66000 1676 @ 67.67000 600 @ 67.68000 724 @ 67.69000 200 @ 67.70000 200 @ 67.71000 400 @ 67.72000 5000 @ 67.82500 100 @ 67.83000 9900 @ 67.85000 982 @ 67.86000 200 @ 67.86500 3018 @ 67.87000 700 @ 67.88000 100 @ 67.89000 1500 @ 67.99000 9600 @ 68.00000 1400 @ 68.01000 200 @ 68.01500 4500 @ 68.02000 1200 @ 68.03000 800 @ 68.04000 100 @ 68.05000 2307 @ 68.06000 700 @ 68.07000 1893 @ 68.08000 800 @ 68.09000 1100 @ 68.10000 300 @ 68.11000 584 @ 68.12000 1000 @ 68.13000 2016 @ 68.15000 5000 @ 68.24000

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