#### LIBENSON RICHARD M

Form 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

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Symbol COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP (Check all applicable) /NEW [COST] (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 4649 MORENA BLVD. 10/22/2012 (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 SAN DIEGO, CA 92117 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 3. Execution Date, if Security (Month/Day/Year) Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 3,000 10/22/2012 A (2) 59,000 D A (1) Stock \$ Common 10/24/2012 S 19,667 D 94.8279 25,611 Ι Family Trust Stock (3) Common Non-Exempt I 63,317 Stock Trust

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date		4.	5. ionNumber	6. Date Exerc		7. Tit		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	<b>.</b>		Under	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	7 (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LIBENSON RICHARD M 4649 MORENA BLVD. SAN DIEGO, CA 92117	X						

# **Signatures**

Deanna K. Nakashima, attorney-in-fact 10/24/2012

\*\*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).
- (1) Grant of Restricted Stock Units. Vests one-third on October 22, 2013 and one-third annually on October 22 for the following two years.
- (2) Not applicable. Grant of Restricted Stock Units.
- The price shown is a weighted average sale price for shares sold in multiple transactions; the sale prices ranged from \$94.52 to \$95.01 per (3) share. The reporting person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.

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