RAIKES JEFFREY S

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

January 31, 2005

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

RAIKES JEFFREY S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP

/NEW [COST]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) 10/22/2012

X_ Director Other (specify Officer (give title

C/O BILL AND MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION, 1551 EASTLAKE

(Street)

AVE. E.

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

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SEATTLE, WA 98102

(City) (State)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (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)

Reported

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price (D)

Common 10/22/2012 Stock

Code V Amount 3,000 Α (1)

(2) 20,250

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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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

X

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RAIKES JEFFREY S C/O BILL AND MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION 1551 EASTLAKE AVE. E. SEATTLE, WA 98102

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.

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