Registration No. 333-01127

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW Form S-3DPOS April 11, 2006

Vice President and General Counsel

Costco Wholesale Corporation

999 Lake Drive

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 11, 2006

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) Washington 33-0572969 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 999 Lake Drive Issaquah, Washington 98027 (425) 313-8100 (Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices) Richard J. Olin

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale of the securities to the public:			
From time to time after this Registration Statement becomes effective.			

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until this Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

Registrant hereby withdraws from registration all unsold securities registered on Form S-3, Registration No. 333-01127.

SIGNATURES	
	e registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the post-effective amendment to the registration statement to be signed on its behalf by quah, State of Washington, on this 10th day of April, 2006.
Costco Wholesale Corporation	
By: /s/ Richard A. Galanti	
Its: Executive Vice President	
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this the following persons in the capacities indicated on April 10, 2	is Post-Effective Amendment to Registration Statement has been signed below by 2006.
	/s/ Jeffrey H. Brotman*
	Jeffrey H. Brotman
	Chairman of the Board of Directors
	/s/ James D. Sinegal*
	James D. Sinegal
	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director

/s/ Richard A. Galanti

Richard A. Galanti

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial Officer)

/s/ Richard D. DiCerchio*
Richard D. DiCerchio
Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Director
Dr. Benjamin S. Carson, Sr., M.D.
Director
Susan L. Decker
Director

Daniel J. Evans
Director
Villiam H. Gates
Director
s/ Hamilton E. James*
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s/ Richard M. Libenson
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Director
s/ John W. Meisenbach
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Director

Charles T. Munger	
Director	
/	
/s/ Jill S. Ruckelshaus*	
Jill S. Ruckelshaus	
Director	
/s/ David S. Petterson*	
David S. Petterson	
Senior Vice President ar Accounting Officer)	nd Corporate Controller (Principal

\*By: <u>/s/ Richard A. Galanti</u> Attorney-in-Fact