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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer **BROTMAN JEFFREY H** Symbol COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP (Check all applicable) /NEW [COST] (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 999 LAKE DRIVE 11/10/2008 Chairman of the Board (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 ISSAOIJAH WA 98027

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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Dispo

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivative	Secur	ities Acquir	ed, Disposed of, o	r 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. Securitie on Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4)	f (D)	uired (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	` ,	
Common Stock	11/10/2008		M	100,000	A	\$ 36.1875	200,981	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2008		S	25,000	D	\$ 53.89	175,981	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2008		S	25,000	D	\$ 53.855	150,981	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2008		S	25,000	D	\$ 53.66	125,981	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2008		S	25,000	D	\$ 53.543	100,981	D	

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Common Stock	1,186,703.04	I	1984 Brotman Family Trust (1)
Common Stock	20	I	Justin Brotman

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 ctionDerivative Securities 3) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Derivative Expiration Date Gecurities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4, and		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 36.1875	11/10/2008		M		100,000	04/02/2001	04/02/2011	Common Stock	100,00

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
<b>Fg</b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BROTMAN JEFFREY H 999 LAKE DRIVE ISSAQUAH, WA 98027	X		Chairman of the Board				

# **Signatures**

Deanna K. Nakashima, attorney-in-fact 11/12/2008

\*\*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) Mr. Brotman disclaims beneficial ownership of shares by the trust. Mr. Brotman is not a trustee of this trust nor does he have investment control over the trust's assets. Mr. Brotmand is one of a number of beneficiaries of the trust.

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