

LIBENSON RICHARD M  
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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 \*  
LIBENSON RICHARD M

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)  
4649 MORENA BLVD.  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/08/2010

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92117

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	10/08/2010		M			12,000	A	\$ 36.1875	18,000	D	
Common Stock	10/08/2010		M			12,000	A	\$ 39.65	30,000	D	
Common Stock	10/08/2010		M			12,000	A	\$ 30.41	42,000	D	
Common Stock	10/08/2010		M			12,000	A	\$ 37.35	54,000	D	
Common Stock	10/08/2010		S			48,000	D	1	6,000	D	



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@ 64.3300 1600 @ 64.3400 927 @ 64.3500 2200 @ 64.3600 100 @ 64.3650 400 @ 64.3700 2091 @ 64.3800 500 @ 64.3900 258 @  
64.4000 490 @ 64.4100 2402 @ 64.4200 300 @ 64.4300 1262 @ 64.4400 696 @ 64.4500 100 @ 64.4600 1400 @ 64.4700 1600 @  
64.4800 500 @ 64.5000 801 @ 64.5200 6148 @ 64.5300 2600 @ 64.5301 100 @ 64.5400 986 @ 64.5500 14 @ 64.5600 1700 @  
64.5701 52 @ 64.6000 1800 @ 64.7000 2000 @ 64.7101

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