COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW Form 8-K November 29, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): November 28, 2012

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

Washington (State or other jurisdiction

0-20355 (Commission

91-1223280 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation) File No.) Identification No.)

999 Lake Drive

Issaquah, WA 98027

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 425-313-8100

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 28, 2012, Costco Wholesale Corporation (the Company) issued a press release containing its sales results for the four-week and 13-week periods ended November 25, 2012. A copy of the press release is furnished under Item 9.01.

The information in this Item 2.02 and Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. Nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On November 28, 2012, the Company also announced that its board of directors has declared a special cash dividend on the Company s common stock of \$7.00 per share, payable December 18, 2012, to shareholders of record as of the close of business on December 10, 2012.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are included in this report:

Exhibit Description99.1 Press release dated November 28, 2012

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized, on November 28, 2012.

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Richard A. Galanti Richard A. Galanti Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Index

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press release dated November 28, 2012

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