COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW Form 8-K December 10, 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): December 7, 2012

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-20355 (Commission 91-1223280 (I.R.S. Employer

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):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

(c) On December 7, 2012, the Company s Board of Directors approved the promotion of Timothy L. Rose to Executive Vice President from Senior Vice President. He will be responsible for the Ancillary Businesses, Manufacturing and Business Centers. Previously, Mr. Rose held various operational positions in the Company since 1983. He will report to President and Chief Operating Officer W. Craig Jelinek.

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 December 10, 2012.

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

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