

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW  
Form 8-K  
April 26, 2017

**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): April 25, 2017**

**COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Washington**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**  
  
**of incorporation)**

**0-20355**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File No.)**  
**999 Lake Drive**

**91-1223280**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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**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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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (CFR §230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (CFR §240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 8.01. Other Events**

The Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend on the Company's common stock and approved an increase to 50 cents per share, or \$2.00 annually. The dividend of 50 cents per share declared on April 25, 2017, is payable May 26, 2017, to shareholders of record at the close of business on May 12, 2017.

On April 25, 2017, 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 May 26, 2017, to shareholders of record at the close of business on May 10, 2017.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is included in this report:

- 99.1. Press release dated April 25, 2017.

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 April 26, 2017.

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

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