

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP /NEW  
Form 8-K  
October 26, 2016

**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): October 25, 2016**

**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**

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

Effective October 25, 2016, David Petterson stepped down as Senior Vice President – Corporate Controller and Principal Accounting Officer of Costco Wholesale Corp. Daniel Hines will serve as Senior Vice President – Corporate Controller and Principal Accounting Officer. Since 1999 Mr. Hines has been Vice-President – Financial Accounting Controller. The Company expresses its deep gratitude to Mr. Petterson for his more than twenty-seven years of service and his contributions to its success.

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 October 26, 2016.

COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION

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