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| | Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934 | |
| | Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 21, 2015 | 5 |
| SEAGATE TE | ECHNOLOGY PUBLIC LIMITI (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) | ED COMPANY |
| Ireland (State or other jurisdiction | 001-31560 (Commission File Number) | 98-0648577 (IRS Employer |

Ir (State or ot

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

38/39 Fitzwilliam Square

Dublin 2, Ireland (Address of principal executive office)

N/A (Zip Code)

| | Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (353) (1) 234-3136 |
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| | (Former name or former address, if changed since last report) |
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| | the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any olowing provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below): |
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| o | Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) |
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On April 22, 2015, Seagate Technology plc (the Company) issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors has authorized the Company to repurchase up to \$2.5 billion of its outstanding ordinary shares (the April 2015 Authorization). As the Company will effect share repurchases under the April 2015 Authorization, as under previously disclosed authorizations, by way of redemption in accordance with its Articles of Association, the Company is not required to post such redemptions to the Company s website.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1, and incorporated by reference to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No. Description

Press release, dated April 22, 2015, of Seagate Technology plc entitled Seagate Technology Announces New \$2.5 billion Share Repurchase Authorization.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each as amended, including, in particular, statements about our plans, strategies and prospects and estimates of industry growth for the fiscal quarter and year ending July 3, 2015 and beyond. These statements identify prospective information and may include words such as expects, intends, plans, anticipates, believes, estimates, predicts, projects and similar expressions. These forward-looking statements are based on information available to the Company as of the date of this Current Report and are based on management's current views and assumptions. In particular, such statements include whether and when the Company may exercise its authority to repurchase its ordinary shares and the methods and timing of such potential purchases. These forward-looking statements are conditioned upon and also involve a number of known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that could cause actual results, performance or events to differ materially from those anticipated by these forward-looking statements. Such risks, uncertainties, and other factors may be beyond the Company's control and may pose a risk to the Company's operating and financial condition. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to: uncertainty in global economic conditions, as consumers and businesses may defer purchases in response to tighter credit and financial news; the impact of variable demand and the adverse pricing environment for disk drives, particularly in view of current business and economic conditions; our ability to successfully qualify, manufacture and sell our disk drive products in increasing volumes on a cost-effective basis and with acceptable quality, particularly the new disk drive products with lower cost structures; the impact of competitive product announcements; currency fluctuations that may impact our margins and international sales, possible excess industry supply with respect to particular disk drive products and our ability to achieve projected cost savings in connection with restructuring plans. Information concerning risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause results to differ materially from the expectations described in this Current Report is contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on August 7, 2014,

the Risk Factors section of which is incorporated into this Current Report by reference, and other documents filed with or furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing the Company s views as of any subsequent date and the Company undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date they were made.

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.

SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

By: /s/ PATRICK J. O MALLEY, III

Name: Patrick J. O Malley

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 22, 2015

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