

KIMSEY WILLIAM L
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KIMSEY WILLIAM L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WESTERN DIGITAL CORP [WDC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/13/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION, 3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

IRVINE, CA 92612

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 03/13/2012 | | M | | 5,000 A \$ 11.61 | 40,717 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/13/2012 | | M | | 7,500 A \$ 9.21 | 48,217 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/13/2012 | | S | | 12,500 D \$ 40.25 | 35,717 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/14/2012 | | M | | 12,500 A \$ 13.76 | 48,217 | D |
| | 03/14/2012 | | S | | 12,500 D | 35,717 | D |

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Common Stock \$ 40.25

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 9.21 | 03/13/2012 | | M | 7,500 | 11/18/2005 ⁽¹⁾ 11/18/2014 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 11.61 | 03/13/2012 | | M | 5,000 | 11/20/2004 ⁽¹⁾ 11/20/2013 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 13.76 | 03/14/2012 | | M | 12,500 | 11/17/2006 ⁽¹⁾ 11/17/2015 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KIMSEY WILLIAM L
C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION
3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100
IRVINE, CA 92612

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Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Garcia Attorney-in-Fact For: William L. Kimsey

03/14/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) The option vested 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 6.25% at the end of each three-month period thereafter.

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