

NICKL WOLFGANG U.
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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 *
NICKL WOLFGANG U.

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)

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

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/26/2012

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & CFO

IRVINE, CA 92612

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

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)

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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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Dividend Equivalent Rights	<u>(1)</u>	12/26/2012		A	454.648	<u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u>	Common Stock 454.648

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NICKL WOLFGANG U.
C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION
3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100
IRVINE, CA 92612

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Signatures

By: /s/ Van Huynh Attorney-in-Fact For: Wolfgang U. Nickl

12/28/2012

__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).

The dividend equivalent rights accrued on previously awarded restricted stock units (RSUs) which vest proportionately with the RSUs to (1) which they relate. Each dividend equivalent right represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock or the cash value thereof.

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