Richarz David K Form 4 February 15, 2012

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Richarz David K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last) (First) Seagate Technology plc [STX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PLC, 10200 S. DE ANZA **BOULEVARD**

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

02/13/2012

(Middle)

Executive Vice President, Sales

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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CUPERTINO, CA 95014

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of	` '	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Ordinary Shares	02/13/2012		M	45,000	A	\$ 3.345	63,021.4967 (1)	D	
Ordinary Shares	02/13/2012		S	45,000	D	\$ 25.9351	18,021.4967	D	
Ordinary Shares	02/13/2012		S	5,521	D	\$ 26.0366	12,500.4967	I	David Kurt Richarz and Kaycee Lynn Richarz

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3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

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7. Title and Amount of

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

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
NQ Stock Options	\$ 3.345	02/13/2012		M	2	45,000	09/11/2010(2)	03/06/2016	Ordinary Shares	45,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Richarz David K								
SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PLC			Executive Vice					
10200 S. DE ANZA BOULEVARD			President, Sales					
CUPERTINO, CA 95014								

Signatures

1. Title of 2.

/s/ Roberta S Cohen for David K Richarz 02/15/2012

**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) Includes 767 shares purchased under the Employee Stock Purchase Plan on January 31, 2012 at \$11.764 per share.
- Options granted to the Reporting Person under the Seagate Technology's 2004 Stock Compensation Plan are subject to a four and a half year vesting schedule. Subject to continuous employment, one quarter of the option shares vested on September 11, 2010. Following continuous employment, the remaining three quarters will vest propotionally monthly over the 36 months following September 11, 2010.

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