

Richarz David K  
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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 \*  
Richarz David K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Seagate Technology plc [STX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY  
PLC, 10200 S. DE ANZA  
BOULEVARD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/02/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President, Sales

(Street)  
CUPERTINO, CA 95014

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

(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Ordinary Shares	11/02/2012		M		18,750	A	\$ 3.345
Ordinary Shares	11/02/2012		M		46,875	A	\$ 11.065
Ordinary Shares	11/02/2012		S		66,188	D	\$ 28.0753
Ordinary Shares	11/05/2012		S		20,725	D	\$ 28.6534

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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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
NQ Stock Options	\$ 3.345	11/02/2012		M	18,750	09/11/2010 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/06/2016	Ordinary Shares	18,750
NQ Stock Options	\$ 11.065	11/02/2012		M	46,875	09/13/2011 <sup>(4)</sup> 09/13/2017	Ordinary Shares	46,875

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ Roberta S Cohen by power of attorney  
Date: 11/06/2012

\*\*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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at sales prices ranging from \$28.00 to \$28.24, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

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(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at sales prices ranging from \$28.54 to \$28.74, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

(3) Options granted to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2004 Stock Compensation Plan are subject to a four and a half year vesting schedule. One quarter of the option shares vested on September 11, 2010. The remaining option shares vest proportionally each month over the 36 months following September 11, 2010.

(4) Options granted to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2001 Share Compensation Plan are subject to a four-year vesting schedule. One quarter of the option shares vested on September 13, 2011. The remaining option shares vest proportionally each month over the 36 months following September 13, 2011.

### **Remarks:**

#### EXHIBIT INDEX

#### Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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