FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person $^{\star}$ $\underline{Lauer\ Len\ J}$				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTERN DIGITAL CORP [ WDC ]						(Che	eck all applic Directo	able) r	erson(s) to Issu 10% Ov	/ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION 3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/17/2016							Officer below)	(give title	Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street) IRVINE (City)	C	A	92612 (Zip)	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					6. In					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
Date				Execution D		ution Date, Transaction Dispo		on Dispose	urities Acquired (A) or led Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a				orm: Direct ) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
							Code V	Amoun	(A) o	r Price	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)		(IIISti. 4)	
	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)	Code (	ransaction Derivative Code (Instr. Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	ə)   	
Dividend Equivalent Rights	(1)	10/17/2016		A		31.8748		(1)	(1)	Common Stock	31.8748	\$0.0	140.0679	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The dividend equivalent rights accrued on previously awarded restricted stock units (RSUs) which vest proportionately with the RSUs to 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.

By: /s/ Sandra Garcia Attorney-10/19/2016 in-Fact For: Len J. Lauer

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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