



## Western Digital Comments on Production Status of its Joint Venture Flash Memory Manufacturing Facilities

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SAN JOSE, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 9, 2022-- Western Digital Corp. (Nasdaq: WDC) today announced that contamination of certain material used in its manufacturing processes has occurred and is affecting production operations at both its Yokkaichi and Kitakami joint venture, flash fabrication facilities.

Western Digital's current assessment of the impact is a reduction of its flash availability of at least 6.5 exabytes. The company is working closely with its joint venture partner, Kioxia, to implement necessary measures that will restore the facilities to normal operational status as quickly as possible.

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