
UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

May 15, 2006

Western Digital Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-08703

33-0956711

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

20511 Lake Forest Drive, Lake Forest, California

92630

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(949) 672-7000

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On May 15, 2006, Western Digital Corporation announced the promotion of John Coyne to President and Chief Operating Officer effective June 1, 2006. Arif Shakeel will remain the Company's Chief Executive Officer. A copy of the press release making this announcement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release issued by Western Digital Corporation on May 15, 2006 announcing the promotion of John Coyne to President and Chief Operating Officer.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Western Digital Corporation

May 15, 2006

By: *Raymond M. Bukaty*

Name: Raymond M. Bukaty

Title: Senior Vice President, Administration, General Counsel and Secretary

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

JOHN COYNE NAMED PRESIDENT, COO OF WESTERN DIGITAL

LAKE FOREST, Calif. – May 15, 2006 – Western Digital Corp. (NYSE: WDC) has appointed John Coyne president and chief operating officer. Arif Shakeel, previously president and chief executive officer, remains CEO. The appointment is effective June 1, 2006.

Coyne, 55, was previously executive vice president and chief operations officer, having assumed the latter post in 2005. As president and COO, Coyne will add responsibility for the company's business units to his existing leadership of business operations, hard drive and head manufacturing, materials, engineering, and IT.

Coyne is a 35-year veteran of international electronics business, dedicating more than 20 years to WD. He was named executive vice president of worldwide operations in June 2005, with worldwide responsibility for business operations, hard drive and head manufacturing, materials and IT. He served as senior vice president, worldwide operations from 2000 to 2005 with responsibility for hard drive manufacturing operations.

Coyne has been instrumental in establishing WD as one of the industry's highest quality and most efficient hard drive makers with its worldwide manufacturing operations in Malaysia, Thailand and northern California. He first joined WD in 1983, when he established a controller board manufacturing facility in his native Ireland. Coyne holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from University College Dublin, Ireland.

Shakeel said Coyne "has demonstrated tremendous skill in guiding Western Digital to a leadership position in the dynamic hard drive industry and to a position of strength as we address multiple growth opportunities. John's passionate focus on efficiency, speed and accuracy in all aspects of our business—coupled with his ability to create and lead world-class teams to address customer needs—have been critical to our success and in building a strong foundation for our future."

About WD

WD, one of the storage industry's pioneers and long-time leaders, provides products and services for people and organizations that collect, manage and use digital information. The company produces reliable, high-performance hard drives that keep users' data close-at-hand and secure from loss.

WD was founded in 1970. The company's storage products are marketed to leading systems manufacturers and selected resellers under the Western Digital and WD brand names. Visit the Investor section of the company's Web site (www.westerndigital.com) to access a variety of financial and investor information.

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