# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): April 28, 2016

# **Western Digital Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-08703 (Commission File Number) 33-0956711 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3355 Michelson Drive, Suite 100 Irvine, California (Address of principal executive offices)

92612 (Zip Code)

(949) 672-7000 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the I	Form 8-K filing is intended to s	imultaneously satisfy the fili	ng obligation of the registran	t under any of the followir	ıg provisions (see
General Instruction A.2. below):					

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- $\hfill \square$  Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 28, 2016, Western Digital Corporation ("Western Digital") announced financial results for the third fiscal quarter ended April 1, 2016. A copy of the press release making this announcement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of Western Digital's Quarterly Fact Sheet for the third fiscal quarter ended April 1, 2016 is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release issued by Western Digital Corporation on April 28, 2016 announcing financial results for the third fiscal quarter ended April 1, 2016.
- 99.2 Third Quarter Fiscal Year 2016 Western Digital Corporation Quarterly Fact Sheet.

**SIGNATURE** 

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Western Digital Corporation (Registrant)

By: /s/ Michael C. Ray

Michael C. Ray

Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer
and Secretary

Date: April 28, 2016



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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

# WESTERN DIGITAL ANNOUNCES FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THIRD FISCAL QUARTER 2016

IRVINE, Calif. — April 28, 2016 — Western Digital® Corp. (NASDAQ: WDC) today reported revenue of \$2.8 billion and net income of \$74 million, or \$0.32 per share, for its third fiscal quarter ended Apr. 1, 2016. On a non-GAAP basis, net income was \$283 million, or \$1.21 per share. In the year-ago quarter, the company reported revenue of \$3.5 billion and net income of \$384 million, or \$1.63 per share. Non-GAAP net income in the year-ago quarter was \$441 million, or \$1.87 per share.

The company generated \$485 million in cash from operations during the third fiscal quarter, ending with total cash and cash equivalents of \$5.9 billion. On Feb. 10, 2016, the company declared a cash dividend of \$0.50 per share of its common stock, which was paid on Apr. 15, 2016.

"We continue to manage our business effectively in a dynamic storage demand environment," said Steve Milligan, chief executive officer. "Computer usage continues to shift from PCs to mobile devices and enterprise workloads are moving increasingly to cloud-based architectures. Our strategy to become a broad-based provider of media-agnostic storage solutions anticipates these and other trends. After we complete the acquisition of SanDisk, we will be better positioned to address and capitalize on these changes and opportunities, with the storage industry's broadest set of products, a rich technology portfolio, and an experienced team in both rotating magnetic and non-volatile memory."

The company indicated that it continues to expect to complete its planned acquisition of SanDisk in the June quarter.

The investment community conference call to discuss these results will be broadcast live over the Internet today at 2 p.m. Pacific/5 p.m. Eastern. The live and archived conference call/webcast can be accessed online at <u>investor.wdc.com</u>. A quarterly fact sheet including our guidance for the fourth fiscal quarter 2016 will also be posted on the same website. The telephone replay number is 1-855-859-2056 in the U.S. or +1-404-537-3406 with passcode 8888801675 for international callers.

#### **About Western Digital**

Founded in 1970, Western Digital Corp. (NASDAQ: WDC), Irvine, Calif., is an industry-leading developer and manufacturer of storage solutions that enable people to create, manage, experience and preserve digital content. Western Digital Corporation ("Western Digital") is responding to changing market needs by providing a full portfolio of compelling, high-quality storage products with effective technology deployment, high efficiency, flexibility and speed. Its products are marketed under the HGST and WD brands to OEMs, distributors, resellers, cloud infrastructure providers and consumers. Financial and investor information is available on the company's Investor Relations website at <a href="investor.wdc.com">investor.wdc.com</a>.

#### Forward-Looking Statements

This document contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the proposed acquisition of SanDisk Corporation ("SanDisk") (including financing of the proposed transaction and the benefits, results, effects and timing of a transaction), all statements regarding Western Digital's (and Western Digital's and SanDisk's combined) expected future financial position, results of operations, cash flows, dividends, financing plans, business strategy,

budgets, capital expenditures, competitive positions, growth opportunities, plans and objectives of management, and statements containing the use of forward-looking words, such as "may," "will," "could," "would," "should," "project," "believe," "anticipate," "expect," "estimate," "continue," "potential," "plan," "forecast," "approximate," "intend," "upside," and the like, or the use of future tense. Statements contained herein concerning the business outlook or future economic performance, anticipated profitability, revenues, expenses, dividends or other financial items, and product or services line growth of Western Digital (and the combined businesses of Western Digital and SanDisk), together with other statements that are not historical facts, are forward-looking statements that are estimates reflecting the best judgment of Western Digital based upon currently available information. Statements concerning current conditions may also be forward-looking if they imply a continuation of current conditions.

Such forward-looking statements are inherently uncertain, and shareholders and other potential investors must recognize that actual results may differ materially from Western Digital's expectations as a result of a variety of factors, including, without limitation, those discussed below. These forward-looking statements are based upon management's current expectations and include known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, many of which Western Digital is unable to predict or control, that may cause actual results, performance or plans to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, including: volatility in global economic conditions; business conditions and growth in the storage ecosystem; pricing trends and fluctuations in average selling prices; the availability and cost of commodity materials and specialized product components; actions by competitors; unexpected advances in competing technologies; the development and introduction of products based on new technologies and expansion into new data storage markets; and other risks and uncertainties listed in the company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including Western Digital's most recent Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof, and Western Digital undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect new information or events.

This document contains financial measures defined as non-GAAP by the SEC. We believe that certain non-GAAP financial measures, when presented in conjunction with comparable GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) measures, are useful because that information is an appropriate measure for evaluating our operating performance. Non-GAAP information is used to evaluate business performance and management's effectiveness. These measures should be considered in addition to, not as a substitute for, or superior to, measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP. Non-GAAP financial measures may not be calculated in the same manner by all companies and therefore may not be comparable.

Risks and uncertainties related to the proposed merger include, but are not limited to, potential adverse reactions or changes to business relationships resulting from the announcement, pendency or completion of the merger, uncertainties as to the timing of the merger, the possibility that the closing conditions to the proposed merger may not be satisfied or waived, including that a governmental entity may prohibit, delay or refuse to grant a necessary approval, adverse effects on Western Digital's stock price resulting from the announcement or completion of the merger, competitive responses to the announcement or completion of the merger, costs and difficulties related to the integration of SanDisk's businesses and operations with Western Digital's businesses and operations, the inability to obtain, or delays in obtaining, cost savings and synergies from the merger, uncertainties as to whether the completion of the merger or any transaction will have the accretive effect on Western Digital's earnings or cash flows that it expects, unexpected costs, liabilities, charges or expenses resulting from the merger, litigation relating to the merger, the inability to retain key personnel, and any changes in general economic and/or industry-specific conditions. In addition to the factors set forth above, other factors that may affect Western Digital's or SanDisk's plans, results or stock price are set forth in Western Digital's and SanDisk's respective filings with the SEC, including Western Digital's and SanDisk's most recent Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and

Current Reports on Form 8-K and Western Digital's most recent registration statement on Form S-4 referenced below. Many of these factors are beyond Western Digital's and SanDisk's control. Western Digital and SanDisk caution investors that any forward-looking statements made by Western Digital or SanDisk are not guarantees of future performance. Neither Western Digital nor SanDisk intend, or undertake any obligation, to publish revised forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this document or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

#### Important Additional Information and Where to find It

This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities. In connection with the proposed merger, Western Digital filed a registration statement on Form S-4 with the SEC on Dec. 11, 2015, as amended by Amendment No. 1, dated Jan. 27, 2016 and by Amendment No. 2, dated Feb. 5, 2016, which was declared effective by the SEC on Feb. 5, 2016, and Western Digital filed the definitive proxy statement/prospectus on Feb. 5, 2016. Western Digital and SanDisk began to mail the definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus to their respective shareholders on Feb. 5, 2016. This material is not a substitute for the joint proxy statement/prospectus or registration statement or for any other document that Western Digital or SanDisk may file with the SEC and send to Western Digital's and/or SanDisk's shareholders in connection with the proposed merger. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS OF WESTERN DIGITAL AND SANDISK ARE URGED TO READ ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC, INCLUDING THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED MERGER. Investors and security holders will be able to obtain copies of the joint proxy statement/prospectus as well as other filings containing information about Western Digital and SanDisk, without charge, at the SEC's website, <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>. Copies of the documents filed with the SEC by Western Digital will be available free of charge on Western Digital's website at <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>. Copies of the documents filed with the SEC by SanDisk will be available free of charge on SanDisk's website at <a href="http://www.sec.gov">http://www.sec.gov</a>. Copies of the documents filed with

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in millions; unaudited)

	Apr. 1, 2016	July 3, 2015
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,887	\$ 5,024
Short-term investments	146	262
Accounts receivable, net	1,254	1,532
Inventories	1,227	1,368
Other current assets	226	331
Total current assets	8,740	8,517
Property, plant and equipment, net	2,687	2,965
Goodwill	2,766	2,766
Other intangible assets, net	268	332
Other non-current assets	486	601
Total assets	\$14,947	\$15,181
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,571	\$ 1,881
Accrued expenses	579	470
Accrued compensation	282	330
Accrued warranty	146	150
Revolving credit facility	_	255
Current portion of long-term debt	203	156
Total current liabilities	2,781	3,242
Long-term debt	2,000	2,156
Other liabilities	557	564
Total liabilities	5,338	5,962
Total shareholders' equity	9,609	9,219
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$14,947	\$15,181

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(in millions, except per share amounts; unaudited)

	Three Mor	nths Ended	Nine Months Ende		
	Apr. 1, 2016	Apr. 3, 2015	Apr. 1, 2016	Apr. 3, 2015	
Revenue, net	\$ 2,822	\$ 3,550	\$9,499	\$11,381	
Cost of revenue	2,069	2,518	6,885	8,090	
Gross profit	753	1,032	2,614	3,291	
Operating expenses:					
Research and development	359	402	1,133	1,265	
Selling, general and administrative	166	199	565	583	
Charges related to arbitration award	_	_	32	15	
Employee termination, asset impairment and other charges	140	10	223	72	
Total operating expenses	665	611	1,953	1,935	
Operating income	88	421	661	1,356	
Net interest and other	(8)	(9)	(23)	(26)	
Income before income taxes	80	412	638	1,330	
Income tax expense	6	28	30	85	
Net income	\$ 74	\$ 384	\$ 608	\$ 1,245	
Income per common share:					
Basic	\$ 0.32	\$ 1.66	\$ 2.62	\$ 5.34	
Diluted	\$ 0.32	\$ 1.63	\$ 2.60	\$ 5.23	
Weighted average shares outstanding:					
Basic	233	231	232	233	
Diluted	234	236	234	238	

# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in millions; unaudited)

	Three Mor	ths Ended	Nine Mon	nths Ended	
	Apr. 1,	Apr. 3,	Apr. 1,	Apr. 3, 2015	
Operating Activities	2016	2015	2016	2015	
Net income	\$ 74	\$ 384	\$ 608	\$ 1,245	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operations:					
Depreciation and amortization	246	285	734	864	
Stock-based compensation	42	37	121	117	
Deferred income taxes	(32)	(22)	(17)	9	
Gain from insurance recovery	_	_	_	(37)	
Loss on disposal of assets	7	2	13	14	
Non-cash portion of employee termination, asset impairment and other charges	18	(7)	36	12	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net	130	5	133	(470)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	485	684	1,628	1,754	
Investing Activities					
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(133)	(150)	(433)	(456)	
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	_	(241)	_	(247)	
Purchases of investments	(54)	(92)	(462)	(687)	
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	641	35	907	665	
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	_	_	_	7	
Other investing activities, net	(11)	(10)	(23)	6	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	443	(458)	(11)	(712)	
Financing Activities					
Employee stock plans, net	14	48	17	112	
Repurchases of common stock	_	(240)	(60)	(772)	
Dividends paid to shareholders	(116)	(93)	(347)	(280)	
Repayment of debt	(302)	(31)	(364)	(94)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(404)	(316)	(754)	(1,034)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	524	(90)	863	8	
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	5,363	4,902	5,024	4,804	
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 5,887	\$ 4,812	\$5,887	\$ 4,812	

# GAAP TO NON-GAAP RECONCILIATION

(in millions, except per share amounts; unaudited)

	Three Months E	nded	Nine Mo Ende	
	Apr. 1, A 2016 2	pr. 3, 2015	Apr. 1, 2016	Apr. 3, 2015
GAAP net income	<del>\$ 74</del> <del>\$</del>	384	\$ 608	\$1,245
Non-GAAP adjustments:				
Amortization of acquired intangible assets	22	44	71	135
Employee termination, asset impairment and other charges	140	10	223	72
Charges related to cost saving initiatives	49	_	86	_
Charges related to arbitration award	_	_	32	15
Acquisition-related charges	16	3	43	3
Insurance recoveries	<del>-</del>	_	_	(37)
Other charges	2	_	8	51
Income tax adjustments	(20)		(48)	
Non-GAAP net income	\$ 283 \$	441	\$1,023	\$1,484
Diluted net income per common share:				
GAAP	\$ 0.32	1.63	\$ 2.60	\$ 5.23
Non-GAAP	\$ 1.21	1.87	\$ 4.37	\$ 6.24
Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Diluted	234	236	234	238

To supplement the condensed consolidated financial statements presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), the table above sets forth Non-GAAP net income and Non-GAAP diluted net income per common share ("Non-GAAP measures"). These Non-GAAP measures are not in accordance with, or an alternative for, measures prepared in accordance with GAAP and may be different from Non-GAAP measures used by other companies. Western Digital Corporation believes the presentation of Non-GAAP measures, when shown in conjunction with the corresponding GAAP measures, provides useful information to investors for measuring the Company's earnings performance and comparing it against prior periods.

These Non-GAAP measures exclude amortization of acquired intangible assets; employee termination, asset impairment and other charges; charges related to cost saving initiatives; charges related to arbitration award; acquisition-related charges; insurance recoveries; other charges; and income tax adjustments. We exclude these items for purposes of calculating these Non-GAAP measures to facilitate a more meaningful evaluation of our current operating performance and comparisons to our operating performance in prior periods.

As described above, we exclude the following items from our Non-GAAP measures:

Amortization of acquired intangible assets. We incur expenses from the amortization of acquired intangible assets over their economic lives. Such charges are significantly impacted by the timing and magnitude of our acquisitions and any related impairment charges.

<u>Employee termination</u>, <u>asset impairment and other charges</u>. From time-to-time, in order to realign our operations with anticipated market demand or to achieve cost synergies from the integration of acquisitions, we may terminate employees and/or restructure our operations. From time-to-time, we may also incur charges from the impairment of intangible assets and other long-lived assets. These charges (including any reversals of charges recorded in prior periods) are inconsistent in amount and frequency and are not a part of the ongoing operation of our business.

<u>Charges related to cost saving initiatives</u>. In connection with the transformation of our business, starting in the 2nd quarter of fiscal 2016, we incur charges related to cost saving initiatives which do not qualify for special accounting treatment as exit or disposal activities. These charges, which are not part of the ongoing operation of our business, primarily relate to costs associated with rationalizing our channel partners or vendors, transforming our information systems infrastructure, integrating our product roadmap, and accelerated depreciation on assets.

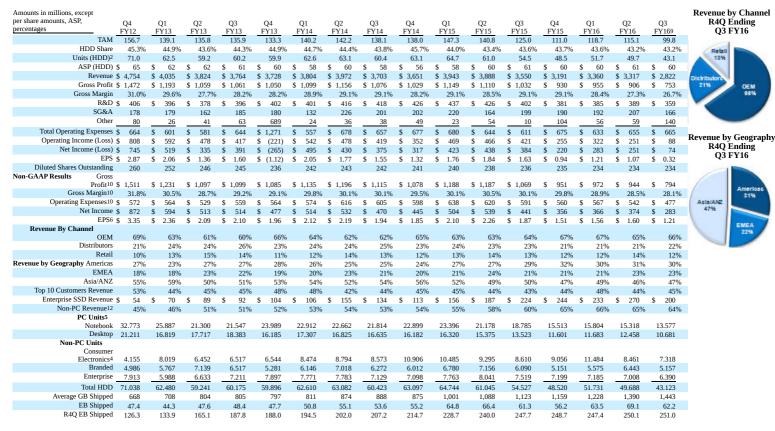
<u>Charges related to arbitration award.</u> In relation to an arbitration award for claims brought against the Company by Seagate Technology LLC, which was satisfied in October 2014, and the related dispute over the calculation of post-award interest, we have recorded loss contingencies. The resulting expense is inconsistent in amount and frequency.

Acquisition-related charges. In connection with our business combinations, we incur expenses which we would not have otherwise incurred as part of our business operations. These expenses include third-party professional service and legal fees, third-party integration services, severance costs, non-cash adjustments to the fair value of acquired inventory, contract termination costs, retention bonuses, and changes to the fair value of contingent consideration. We may also experience other one-time accounting impacts in connection with these transactions. These charges and impacts are related to acquisitions, are inconsistent in amount and frequency, and have no direct correlation to the operation of our business.

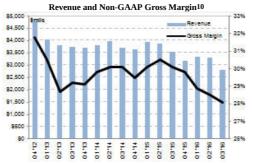
<u>Insurance recoveries</u>. From time-to-time, we receive insurance recoveries related to losses or other events which occurred in a prior period. Such recoveries are inconsistent in amount and frequency.

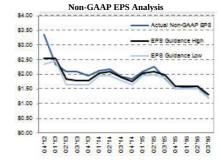
Other charges. From time-to-time, we sell investments or other assets which are not considered strategic or necessary to our business; are a party to legal or arbitration proceedings, which could result in an expense or benefit due to settlements, final judgments, or accruals for loss contingencies; or incur other charges or gains which are not a part of the ongoing operation of our business. The resulting expense or benefit is inconsistent in amount and frequency.

<u>Income tax adjustments</u>. Income tax adjustments reflect the difference between income taxes based on a forecasted annual non-GAAP tax rate and a forecasted annual GAAP tax rate as a result of the timing of certain non-GAAP pre-tax adjustments.



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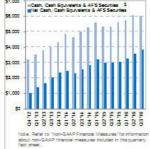






Balance sheet, earnings, divid																		
in millions		Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	
	Cash Equivalents \$	FY12	FY13	FY13	FY13	FY13	FY14	FY14	FY14	FY14	FY15	FY15	FY15	FY15	FY16	FY16	FY16	
		3,208	\$ 3,537	\$ 3,816	\$ 4,060	\$ 4,309	\$ 4,869	\$ 4,655	\$ 4,569	\$ 4,804	\$ 5,159	\$ 4,902	\$ 4,812	\$ 5,024	\$ 5,081	\$ 5,363	\$ 5,887	
Available	e-for-Sale (AFS) Securities								470	499	454	465	523	590	704	732	146	
	Debt	(2,185)	(2,128)	(2,128)	(2,013)	(1,955)	(2,398)	(2,340)	(2,469)	(2,438)	(2,406)	(2,375)	(2,344)	(2,567)	(2,536)	(2,505)	(2,203)	
Not Cash, Cas	sh Equivalents &	(2,103)	(2,120)	(2,120)	(2,013)	(1,555)	(2,330)	(2,540)	(2,403)	(2,430)	(2,400)	(2,373)	(2,344)	(2,307)	(2,550)	(2,303)	(2,203)	Business Model
ivet Casii, Cas	AFS Securities \$	1.023	\$ 1,409	\$ 1.688	\$ 2.047	\$ 2.354	\$ 2.471	\$ 2.315	\$ 2,570	\$ 2.865	\$ 3.207	\$ 2,992	\$ 2.991	\$ 3.047	\$ 3.249	\$ 3,590	\$ 3,830	(Non-GAAP)
Cash Flow	From Operations \$		\$ 936	\$ 772	\$ 727	\$ 684	\$ 680	\$ 727	\$ 697	\$ 713	\$ 827	\$ 2,332	\$ 684	\$ 488	\$ 5,245	\$ 5,598	\$ 485	Gross Margin*
Cash Flow	Free Cash Flow \$		\$ 554	\$ 526	\$ 539	\$ 548	\$ 544	\$ 557	\$ 536	\$ 552	\$ 667	\$ 97	\$ 534	\$ 332	\$ 394	\$ 449	\$ 352	27%-32%
Capi	ital Expenditures \$		\$ 382	\$ 246	\$ 188	\$ 136	\$ 136	\$ 170	\$ 161	\$ 161	\$ 160	\$ 146	\$ 150	\$ 156	\$ 151	\$ 149	\$ 133	27 70-32 70
1	Depreciation and																	Operating Expense*
	Amortization \$	339	\$ 313	\$ 309	\$ 309	\$ 302	\$ 312	\$ 317	\$ 307	\$ 308	\$ 289	\$ 290	\$ 285	\$ 250	\$ 236	\$ 252	\$ 246	10%-12%
	EBITDA \$		\$ 905	\$ 787	\$ 726	\$ 81	\$ 854	\$ 795	\$ 726	\$ 660	\$ 758	\$ 756	\$ 706	\$ 505	\$ 558	\$ 503	\$ 334	10/0 12/0
Accounts	Receivable, Net \$		\$ 1,951	\$ 1,732	\$ 1,700	\$ 1,793	\$ 1,791	\$ 1,959	\$ 1,802	\$ 1,989	\$ 1,915	\$ 1,880	\$ 1,696	\$ 1,532	\$ 1,616	\$ 1,650	\$ 1,254	Operating Income*
Inventory	Raw Materials \$		\$ 237	\$ 193	\$ 191	\$ 167	\$ 208	\$ 201	\$ 204	\$ 168	\$ 178	\$ 154	\$ 173	\$ 168	\$ 135	\$ 130	\$ 133	15%-22%
	Work in Process	552	559	581	583	575	579	581	519	493	509	510	498	500	507	474	440	1570 2270
	Finished Goods	413	508	430	423	446	457	511	554	565	585	618	651	700	618	634	654	Tax
	Total Inventory \$	1,210	\$ 1,304	\$ 1,204	\$ 1,197	\$ 1,188	\$ 1,244	\$ 1,293	\$ 1,277	\$ 1,226	\$ 1,272	\$ 1,282	\$ 1,322	\$ 1,368	\$ 1,260	\$ 1,238	\$ 1,227	7%-10% of Income
Pr	operty, Plant and																	Before Tax
	Equipment, Net \$		\$ 4,027	\$ 3,938	\$ 3,803	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,638	\$ 3,509	\$ 3,406	\$ 3,293	\$ 3,202	\$ 3,099	\$ 3,051	\$ 2,965	\$ 2,890	\$ 2,801	\$ 2,687	Deloie Iuli
	Accounts Payable \$		\$ 2,545	\$ 2,185	\$ 2,037	\$ 1,990	\$ 2,061	\$ 2,106	\$ 1,902	\$ 1,971	\$ 2,016	\$ 2,071	\$ 2,020	\$ 1,881	\$ 1,799	\$ 1,806	\$ 1,571	Capital Expenditures*
	es Outstanding11	45	44	41	41	44	43	45	44	50	48	44	44	44	44	45	40	5%-7%
	ry Outstanding11	34	42	40	40	40	42	42	44	42	45	42	48	55	48	47	54	
	es Outstanding11	77	82	72 9	69	67 17	69 16	68 19	65	68 24	71 22	68	73 19	76 23	68 24	68	69	Conversion Cycle
	nversion Cycle <sup>11</sup> nventory Turns <sup>11</sup>	2 11	9	9	12	9	16	19	23 8	9	8	18 9	19	23	24 8	24 8	25 7	4-8 Days
11	Dividends Paid \$		\$	\$ 121	s —	\$ 60	\$ 59	\$ 59	\$ 71	\$ 70	\$ 94	\$ 94	\$ 93	\$ 116	\$ 115	\$ 116	\$ 116	* · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Sha	res Repurchased	16.4	5.2	4.2	5.2	4.4	2.3	2.0	2.8	3.2	2.2	3.2	2.2	2.0	0.7	J 110	J 110	*Percent of Revenue
	res Repurchased \$		\$ 218	\$ 146	\$ 243	\$ 235	\$ 150	\$ 150	\$ 244	\$ 272	\$ 223	\$ 309	\$ 240	\$ 198	\$ 60	s —	s —	
	maining Amount		Ų 210	Ψ 1.0	Ψ 2.0	Ψ 200	Ų 150	Ų 150	Ψ 2	Ψ 2/2	<b>\$ 22</b> 5	Ψ 505	Ψ 2.0	Ψ 150	Ψ 00	•	<u> </u>	
140.	Authorized \$	1.312	\$ 2,594	\$ 2,448	\$ 2,205	\$ 1.970	\$ 1.820	\$ 1.670	\$ 1.426	\$ 1.154	\$ 931	\$ 622	\$ 2,382	\$ 2.184	\$ 2,124	\$ 2,124	\$ 2,124	
R4Q I	Economic Profit8 \$	542	\$ 801	\$ 976	\$ 884	\$ (59)	\$ (176)	\$ (109)	\$ (158)	\$ 415	\$ 332	\$ 328	\$ 320	\$ 203	\$ 52	\$ (157)	\$ (440)	
•	R4Q ROIC8	20.4%	21.3%	21.0%	20.0%			10.5%	10.2%	15.1%	14.2%	14.1%	14.1%	13.1%	11.7%		7.4%	
	R4Q ROA8	14.3%	14.9%	14.7%	14.2%	7.0%	6.7%	7.2%	7.0%	10.6%	10.0%	10.1%	10.2%	9.6%	8.7%	7.5%	5.4%	
Worldy	wide Headcount3	103,111	96,002	93,820	87,565	85,777	87,586	87,976	84,556	84,072	83,277	83,993	80,767	76,449	76,052	74,891	67,884	









## Free Cash Flow



## R4Q ROIC & R4Q Economic Profit8



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#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Free Cash Flow: Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure defined as cash flows from operations less capital expenditures. We consider free cash flow to be useful as an indicator of our overall liquidity, as the amount of free cash flow generated in any period is representative of cash that is available for strategic opportunities including, among others, investing in the Company's business, making strategic acquisitions, strengthening the balance sheet, repaying debt, paying dividends and repurchasing stock. Free cash flow should not be construed as an alternative to cash flows from operations or other cash flow measurements determined in accordance with GAAP.

EBITDA: EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure defined as net income before interest, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization. We include information concerning EBITDA because we believe it is a useful measure to evaluate our operating performance. As a measure of our operating performance, we believe EBITDA provides a measure of operating results unaffected by differences in capital structures, capital investment cycles and ages of related assets among otherwise comparable companies. While EBITDA is a relevant and widely used measure of operating performance, it does not represent net income as defined by GAAP and it should not be considered as an alternative to that measure in evaluating operating performance.

Non-GAAP Gross Margin and Non-GAAP Gross Profit: Non-GAAP gross margin is a non-GAAP measure defined as non-GAAP gross profit divided by revenue. Non-GAAP gross profit is a non-GAAP measure defined as gross profit before any charges to cost of goods sold that may not be indicative of ongoing operations. We believe that non-GAAP gross profit is a useful measure to investors as an alternative method for measuring our operating performance and comparing it against prior periods'

Non-GAAP Operating Expenses: Non-GAAP operating expenses is a non-GAAP measure defined as operating expenses before any charges that may not be indicative of ongoing operations. We believe that non-GAAP operating expenses is a useful measure to investors as an alternative method for measuring our expense management and comparing it against prior periods' performance.

Non-GAAP Net Income and Non-GAAP EPS: Non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP EPS are non-GAAP measures defined as net income and EPS, respectively, before any charges that may not be indicative of ongoing operations, or any tax impact related to those charges. We believe that non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP EPS are useful measures to investors as an alternative method for measuring our earnings performance and comparing it against prior periods' performance.

Non-GAAP income tax provision as a percentage of non-GAAP pre-tax income: Non-GAAP income tax provision is a non-GAAP measure defined as income tax provision plus any income tax adjustments that may not be indicative of ongoing operations. We believe that non-GAAP income tax provision as a percentage of non-GAAP pre-tax income is a useful measure to investors as an alternative method for measuring our effective tax rate and comparing it against prior periods' performance.

In millions, except gross margin and per share amounts	Q4 FY12	Q1 FY13	Q2 FY13	Q3 FY13	Q4 FY13	Q1 FY14	Q2 FY14	Q3 FY14	Q4 FY14	Q1 FY15	Q2 FY15	Q3 FY15	Q4 FY15	Q1 FY16	Q2 FY16	Q3 FY16
Reconciliation of Cash Flows from Operations to Free Cash Flow	!															
Cash Flows from Operations	\$1,128	\$ 936	\$ 772	\$ 727	\$ 684	\$ 680	\$ 727	\$ 697	\$ 713	\$ 827	\$ 243	\$ 684	\$ 488	\$ 545	\$ 598	\$ 485
Capital Expenditures	$\overline{}$	(382)	(246)	(188)	(136)	(136)	(170)	(161)	(161)	(160)	(146)	(150)	(156)	(151)	(149)	(133)
Free Cash Flow  Reconciliation of Net Income to EBITDA	\$ 804	\$ 554	\$ 526	\$ 539	\$ 548	\$ 544	\$ 557	\$ 536	\$ 552	\$ 667	\$ 97	\$ 534	\$ 332	\$ 394	\$ 449	\$ 352
Net Income (Loss		\$ 519	\$ 335	\$ 391	\$ (265)	\$ 495	\$ 430	\$ 375	\$ 317	\$ 423	\$ 438	\$ 384	\$ 220	\$ 283	\$ 251	\$ 74
Interes		14	10	11	9	10	11	13	5	9	8	9	8	8	7	8
Income Tax Provision		59	133	15	35	37	37	31	30	37	20	28	27	31	(7)	6
Depreciation and Amortization EBITDA		\$ 905	\$ 787	\$ 726	\$ 81	\$ 854	\$ 795	307 \$ 726	\$ 660	\$ 758	\$ 756	\$ 706	\$ 505	\$ 558	\$ 503	\$ 334
Reconciliation of Gross Margin to Non-GAAP Gross Margin		\$ 303	\$ 707	\$ 720	\$ 01	\$ 034	\$ /53	\$ 720	\$ 000	J / 30	\$ 730	\$ 700	\$ 303	\$ 330	\$ 303	J 334
& Gross Profit to Non-GAAP Gross Profi																
Gross Profit10		\$1,193	\$1,059	\$1,061	\$1,050	\$1,099	\$1,156	\$1,076	\$1,029	\$1,149	\$1,110	\$1,032	\$ 930	\$ 955	\$ 906	\$ 753
Acquisition-related charges Charges related to cost saving initiatives		_	_		_	_	_	_	_		_	_	_		22	25
Other charges		_	_	_	_	_	_	_	10	_	39	_	1	_		_
Amortization of acquired intangible assets		38	38	38	35	36	40	39	39	39	38	37	20	17	16	16
Non-GAAP Gross Profit10		\$1,231	\$1,097	\$1,099	\$1,085	\$1,135	\$1,196	\$1,115	\$1,078	\$1,188	\$1,187	\$1,069	\$ 951	\$ 972	\$ 944	\$ 794
	\$4,754	\$4,035	\$3,824	\$3,764	\$3,728 28.2%	\$3,804	\$3,972	\$3,703	\$3,651	\$3,943	\$3,888	\$3,550	\$3,191	\$3,360	\$3,317 27.3%	\$2,822
Gross Margin <sup>10</sup> Non-GAAP Gross Margin <sup>10</sup>			27.7% 28.7%	28.2% 29.2%	28.2%	28.9% 29.8%	29.1% 30.1%	29.1% 30.1%	28.2% 29.5%	29.1% 30.1%	28.5% 30.5%	29.1% 30.1%	29.1% 29.8%	28.4% 28.9%	28.5%	26.7% 28.1%
Reconciliation of Operating Expenses to Non-GAAI		50.570	20.770	25.270	25.170	25.070	50.170	501170	25.570	501170	50.570	50.170	25.070	20.570	20.070	201170
Operating Expenses																
Total Operating Expenses		\$ 601	\$ 581	\$ 644	\$1,271	\$ 557	\$ 678	\$ 657	\$ 677	\$ 680	\$ 644	\$ 611	\$ 675	\$ 633	\$ 655	\$ 665
Less Amortization of acquired intangible assets		(11)	(11)	(11)	(11)	(11)	(11)	(11)	(8)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(8)	(8)	(8)	(6)
Employee termination, asset impairment and other charges		(26)	(41)	(63)	(8)	(11)	(23)	(25)	(26)	(9)	(36)	(10)	(104)	(56)	(27)	(140)
Charges related to cost saving initiatives				_	_		_	_	_	_	_			_	(15)	(24)
Charges related to arbitration award		_	_	_	(681)	(13)	(13)	(13)	(13)	(14)	(1)		_	_	(32)	
Acquisition-related charges Charges and insurance recoveries related to flooding, ne				_	(7)	(13) 65	_				37	(3)	_	_	(27)	(16)
Other charges				(11)			(15)	(3)	(32)	(12)	(17)		(3)	(2)	(4)	(2)
Non-GAAP Operating Expenses		\$ 564	\$ 529	\$ 559	\$ 564	\$ 574	\$ 616	\$ 605	\$ 598	\$ 638	\$ 620	\$ 591	\$ 560	\$ 567	\$ 542	\$ 477
Reconciliation of Net Income (Loss) to Non-GAAP Net Income																
Net Income (Loss		\$ 519	\$ 335	\$ 391	\$ (265)	\$ 495	\$ 430	\$ 375	\$ 317	\$ 423	\$ 438	\$ 384	\$ 220	\$ 283	\$ 251	\$ 74
Amortization of acquired intangible assets Employee termination, asset impairment and other charges		49 26	49 41	49 63	46 8	47 11	51 23	50 25	47 36	46 9	45 53	44 10	28 104	25 56	24 27	22 140
Charges related to cost saving initiatives													104		37	49
Charges related to arbitration award		_	_	_	681	13	13	13	13	14	1	_	_	_	32	_
Acquisition-related charges		_	_	_	7	13	_	_	_	_		3	_	_	27	16
Charges and insurance recoveries related to flooding, ne Other charges		_	_	 11	_	(65)	— 15	— <sub>7</sub>	32	— 12	(37) 39			_ 2		
Income tax adjustments		_								- 12					(28)	(20)
Non-GAAP Net Income		\$ 594	\$ 513	\$ 514	\$ 477	\$ 514	\$ 532	\$ 470	\$ 445	\$ 504	\$ 539	\$ 441	\$ 356	\$ 366	\$ 374	\$ 283
EPS	\$ 2.87	\$ 2.06	\$ 1.36	\$ 1.60	\$ (1.12)	\$ 2.05	\$ 1.77	\$ 1.55	\$ 1.32	\$ 1.76	\$ 1.84	\$ 1.63	\$ 0.94	\$ 1.21	\$ 1.07	\$ 0.32
Non-GAAP EPS		\$ 2.36	\$ 2.09	\$ 2.10	\$ 1.96	\$ 2.12	\$ 2.19	\$ 1.94	\$ 1.85	\$ 2.10	\$ 2.26	\$ 1.87	\$ 1.51	\$ 1.56	\$ 1.60	\$ 1.21
Diluted Shares Outstanding Non-GAAP Diluted Shares Outstanding		252 252	246 246	245 245	236 243	242 242	243 243	242 242	241 241	240 240	238 238	236 236	235 235	234 234	234 234	234 234
Reconciliation of Income Tax Provision as a percentage of pre		232	240	243	243	242	243	242	241	240	230	230	233	234	234	234
tax income to Non-GAAP income tax provision as a	<u>!</u>															
percentage of non-GAAP pre-tax income																
Net income (loss Income tax provision		\$ 519 59	\$ 335 133	\$ 391 15	\$ (265) 35	\$ 495 37	\$ 430 37	\$ 375 31	\$ 317 30	\$ 423 37	\$ 438 20	\$ 384 28	\$ 220 27	\$ 283 31	\$ 251 (7)	\$ 74 6
Pre-tax income		\$ 578	\$ 468	\$ 406	\$ (230)	\$ 532	\$ 467	\$ 406	\$ 347	\$ 460	\$ 458	\$ 412	\$ 247	\$ 314	\$ 244	\$ 80
Income tax provision as a percentage of pre-tax income		10%	28%	4%	-15%	3 332 7%	3 407	8%	9%	3 400	4%	7%	11%	10%	-3%	8%
									\$ 445	\$ 504	\$ 539	\$ 441	\$ 356			\$ 283
Non-GAAP Net Income	\$ 872	\$ 594	\$ 513	\$ 514	\$ 477	\$ 514	\$ 532	\$ 470	J 443	ψ JU4	\$ 333	J 441	\$ 330	\$ 366	\$ 374	Φ 203
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Add Income tax provisior Income tax adjustment	2 \$ 872 1 56 2 4	59 <u>—</u>	133 (88)	15 <u>—</u>	35	37 —	37 <u>—</u>	31	30	37	20	28 —	27 —	31	(7) 28	6 20
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Add Income tax provisior Income tax adjustment	2 \$ 872 3 56 6 4 6 60 2 \$ 932	59 — 59	133 (88) 45	15 — 15	35 — 35	37 — 37	37 — 37	31 — 31	30 — 30	37 — 37	20 — 20	28 — 28	27 — 27	31 — 31	(7) 28 21	6 20 26

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

Economic Profit: Economic profit (EP) is a non-GAAP financial measure defined as net operating profit after taxes less the value of invested capital multiplied by the weighted average cost of capital, where net operating profit after taxes is defined as income from operations minus tax expense and invested capital is defined as the sum of current debt, long-term debt and equity. Management uses EP to evaluate business performance and allocate resources, and it is a component in determining management's incentive compensation. Management believes EP provides additional perspective to investors about financial returns generated by the business and represents profit generated over and above the cost of capital used by the business to generate that profit.

		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
In millions	5	FY12	FY12	FY12	FY12	FY13	FY13	FY13	FY13	FY14	FY14	FY14	FY14	FY15	FY15	FY15	FY15	FY16	FY16	FY16
Recon	nciliation of Operating Income																			
.(	Loss) to R4Q Economic Profit																			
	Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 259	\$ 162	\$ 542	\$ 808	\$ 592	\$ 478	\$ 417	\$ (221)	\$ 542	\$ 478	\$ 419	\$ 352	\$ 469	\$ 466	\$ 421	\$ 255	\$ 322	\$ 251	\$ 88
	Income Tax Provision	(19)	(15)	(55)	(56)	(59)	(133)	(15)	(35)	(37)	(37)	(31)	(30)	(37)	(20)	(28)	(27)	(31)	7	(6)
	Net Operating Profit After Taxes	240	147	487	752	533	345	402	(256)	505	441	388	322	432	446	393	228	291	258	82
R4Q N	Net Operating Profit After Taxes	771	692	1,034	1,626	1,919	2,117	2,032	1,024	996	1,092	1,078	1,656	1,583	1,588	1,593	1,499	1,358	1,170	859
	Invested Capital x WACC	(658)	(677)	(1,117)	(1,084)	(1,118)	(1,141)	(1,148)	(1,083)	(1,172)	(1,201)	(1,236)	(1,241)	(1,251)	(1,260)	(1,273)	(1,296)	(1,306)	(1,327)	(1,299)
	R4Q Economic Profit	\$ 113	\$ 15	\$ (83)	\$ 542	\$ 801	\$ 976	\$ 884	\$ (59)	\$ (176)	\$ (109)	\$ (158)	\$ 415	\$ 332	\$ 328	\$ 320	\$ 203	\$ 52	\$ (157)	\$ (440)

#### Formulas

Share = Units (HDD) / TAM

ASP = Revenue / Units (HDD)

**Free Cash Flow** = Cash Flow from Operations – Capital Expenditures

EBITDA = Net Income (Loss) + Interest + Income Tax Expense + Depreciation and Amortization

Days Sales Outstanding (DSO) = Accounts Receivable / (Revenue / 91 days)

Days Inventory Outstanding (DIO) = Inventory / (Cost of Revenue / 91 days)

**Days Payables Outstanding (DPO)** = Accounts Payable / (Cost of Revenue / 91 days)

Cash Conversion Cycle = DSO + DIO - DPO

Inventory Turns = 364 days / DIO

R4Q Economic Profit = R4Q Net Operating Profit After Taxes – (Invested Capital x WACC)

- Invested Capital = Short-term debt + Current portion of long-term debt + Long-term debt + Total shareholders' equity
- WACC7 = 11%

R4Q ROIC = R4Q (Net Income (Loss) + Interest Expense) / R4Q Average (Short-term debt + Current portion of long-term debt + Long-term debt + Total shareholders'

R4Q ROA = R4Q Net Income (Loss) / R4Q Average Total Assets

#### Footnotes

- ASP, Revenue by Channel and Revenue by Geography exclude external sales of media/substrates. Unit volume excludes WD TV Media Players without hard drives, WD Livewire, SSD and media. Worldwide Headcount excludes temporary and contracted employees. Consumer Electronics includes gaming.

  PC includes shipments to distributors, second/shird tier external HDD manufacturers, and white box manufacturers.
- Q4 FY13 non-GAAP EPS is calculated using the same number of shares used for Q4 FY13 GAAP EPS plus 7 million dilutive shares. Dilutive shares are not included in the Q4 FY13 GAAP EPS calculation as Q4 FY13 resulted in a net loss. WACC of 11% is an internal assumption.

  Q2 FY12 includes charges related to the flooding. Q4 FY13 includes charges related to the arbitration award.

  TAM is preliminary and based on internal information.

  Certain FY14 prior quarter amounts have been reclassified from gross profit, R&D and SG&A to the other charges line within operating expenses to conform to the annual presentation of FY14 in Part II, Item 8, Note18 in the Notes to

- Consolidated Financial Statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K.
  Q1 FY15 cash conversion cycle calculated using 98 days due to a 14 week quarter. Q1 FY15 inventory turns calculated using 371 days due to a 53 week year.
  Non-PC revenue percentage includes consumer electronics, enterprise applications, branded products, and SSD.

