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Questions and Answers

During the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting") of Western Digital Corporation (the "Company"), the question below was submitted shortly after the end of the final question and answer session. As a result, the question was not answered during the Annual Meeting. The Company has excluded comments and statements where no actual question was asked and included relevant information from such comments and statements within the body of the question to provide the appropriate context. The response to the question, including any forward-looking statements, reflect management's views as of November 18, 2021, and the Company does not assume any obligation and does not intend to update any such statement, except to the extent required by law. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements, which factors are discussed in the Company's SEC filings, including the company's most recent reports on Form 10-K, a copy of which may be obtained by visiting our Investor Relations website at www.investor.wdc.com or the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

Please contact Western Digital Investor Relations with any additional or follow-up questions by email at investor@wdc.com or by phone at 1.800.695.6399.

Has WDC sufficiently analyzed its alleged misstep related to the use of Shingled Magnetic Recording technology in its hard disk drives and communicated that analysis through the company and its officers so that nothing similar is likely ever to happen again?

Western Digital has analyzed and communicated throughout our organization the feedback received from customers and partners related to our use of Shingled Magnetic Recording (SMR) technology in our WD Red family of network attached storage (NAS) hard drives. The experiences and expectations shared with us have contributed to our work on an expansion of models and clarity of choice for customers. We have adjusted our marketing and product line naming to further clarify which products are best for which applications.

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Western Digital does not believe that there were any "missteps" regarding the use of SMR technology in our NAS hard drives. Our SMR-based WD Red NAS drives were designed and extensively tested for use in the applications for which they were marketed, and the drives perform well in, and are suitable for use in, NAS devices employed in appropriate applications and workloads.

Please see our Western Digital Blog post on this topic for further information, located at <https://blog.westerndigital.com/wd-red-nas-drives/>.