

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>NICKL WOLFGANG U.</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION</u> <u>20511 LAKE FOREST DRIVE</u>  (Street) <u>LAKE FOREST CA 92630-7741</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/16/2010</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>WESTERN DIGITAL CORP [ WDC ]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SVP &amp; CFO</b></p>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	24,501	D	

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	02/04/2010 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/04/2016	Common Stock	28,007	16.85	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	11/08/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	11/08/2016	Common Stock	2,130	19.4	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	09/12/2008 <sup>(3)</sup>	09/12/2014	Common Stock	5,920	23.46	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	09/11/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	09/11/2015	Common Stock	7,849	23.78	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	02/17/2007 <sup>(5)</sup>	02/17/2016	Common Stock	3,015	24.18	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	02/06/2009 <sup>(6)</sup>	02/06/2015	Common Stock	7,429	28.09	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	09/10/2010 <sup>(7)</sup>	09/10/2016	Common Stock	9,295	35.75	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	11/11/2010 <sup>(7)</sup>	11/11/2016	Common Stock	5,969	38.53	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The option vested 25% one year from the grant date of February 4, 2009, and an additional 6.25% vested at the end of each three-month period through August 4, 2010. The remaining shares subject to the option will vest at 6.25% at the end of each three-month period until fully vested on February 4, 2013.
- The option vested 25% one year from the grant date of November 8, 2006, and an additional 6.25% vested at the end of each three-month period through August 8, 2010. The remaining shares subject to the option will vest in full on November 8, 2010.
- The option vested 25% one year from the grant date of September 12, 2007, and an additional 6.25% vested at the end of each three-month period through June 12, 2010. The remaining shares subject to the option will vest at 6.25% at the end of each three-month period until fully vested on September 12, 2011.
- The option vested 25% one year from the grant date of September 11, 2008, and an additional 6.25% vested at the end of each three-month period through June 11, 2010. The remaining shares subject to the option will vest at 6.25% at the end of each three-month period until fully vested on September 11, 2012.
- The option vested 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 6.25% at the end of each three-month period thereafter.
- The option vested 25% one year from the grant date of February 6, 2008, and an additional 6.25% vested at the end of each three-month period through August 6, 2010. The remaining shares subject to the option will vest at 6.25% at the end of each three-month period until fully vested on February 6, 2012.
- The option vests 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 6.25% at the end of each three-month period thereafter.

By: /s/ Sandra Garcia  
Attorney-in-Fact For:  
Wolfgang U. Nickl

08/23/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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