

Seagate Technology plc
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MORTON DAVID H JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY
PLC, 10200 S. DE ANZA
BOULEVARD

(Street)

CUPERTINO, CA 95014

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Seagate Technology plc [STX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/09/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
SVP, FINANCE, TREASURER & PAO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Ordinary Shares | 09/09/2015 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 7,985 A | \$ 0 | 25,063 ⁽²⁾ | D |

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| NQ Stock Options | \$ 50.1 | 09/09/2015 | | A | 25,577 | 09/09/2016 ⁽³⁾ 09/09/2022 | Ordinary Shares 25,577 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MORTON DAVID H JR SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PLC 10200 S. DE ANZA BOULEVARD CUPERTINO, CA 95014 | | | SVP, FINANCE, TREASURER & PAO | |

Signatures

/s/ Jolene Mendelsohn by Power of Attorney
 09/11/2015
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Consists of a grant of restricted stock units of which 7,985 remain outstanding awarded to the Reporting Person under the Seagate Technology plc 2012 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The restricted stock units will be converted into ordinary shares on a one-for-one basis. Subject to the Reporting Person's continuous employment, such restricted stock units will be settled in ordinary shares in equal installments on each of the first four anniversaries of September 9, 2015.
- (2) Includes 203 Ordinary Shares purchased by the Reporting Person on July 31, 2015 under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Such acquisition is exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- (3) Options granted to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan are subject to a four year vesting schedule. Subject to continuous employment, one quarter of the option shares will vest on September 9, 2016. The remaining option shares will vest in equal monthly installments over the 36 months following September 9, 2016.

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