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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
Richarz David K (Last) (First) (Middle)	**Seagate Technology plc [STX]**	_____ Director _____ 10% Owner __ **X** __ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) **Executive Vice President,Sales**
SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PLC, 10200 S. DE ANZA BOULEVARD (Street)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) **2/1/2012**	
CUPERTINO, CA 95014 (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _ **X** _ 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. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Ordinary Shares	**2/1/2012**		**M**		**30000**	**A**	**$3.345**	**47254.4967**	**D**	
Ordinary Shares	**2/1/2012**		**S**		**30000**	**D**	**$24.7928**	**17254.4967**	**D**	
Ordinary Shares	**2/1/2012**		**S**		**9110**	**D**	**$24.7928**	**0**	**I**	**David Kurt Richarz and Kaycee Lynn Richarz**

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
NQ Stock Options	**$3.345**	**2/1/2012**		**M**			**30000**	**9/11/2010** (1)	**3/6/2016**	**Ordinary Shares**	**30000**	**$ 0**	**230000**	**D**	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Options granted to the Reporting Person under the Seagate Technology's 2004 Stock Compensation Plan are subject to a four and a half year vesting schedule. Subject to continuous employment, one quarter of the option shares vested on September 11, 2010. Following continuous employment, the remaining three quarters will vest proportionally monthly over the 36 months following September 11, 2010.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Richarz David K **SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PLC** **10200 S. DE ANZA BOULEVARD** **CUPERTINO, CA 95014**			**Executive Vice President,Sales**	

Signatures

/s/ Roberta S Cohen for David K Richarz **2/3/2012**

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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