KIMSEY WILLIAM L

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

KIMSEY WILLIAM L

WESTERN DIGITAL CORP

(Check all applicable)

[WDC]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION, 3355

MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

(Month/Day/Year)

11/11/2010

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

IRVINE, CA 92612

(City) (State) (Zip)

11/11/2010

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Stock (1)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

Price Code V Amount (D) \$0 Α 3,789 30,871

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Titl Derive Securi (Instr.	ative ity	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				7. Title and Ame Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or No of Sh
Stocl	Qualified k Option t to buy)	\$ 32.99	11/11/2010		A	8,506	11/11/2011(2)	11/11/2017	Common Stock	8

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
KIMSEY WILLIAM L C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION 3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100 IRVINE, CA 92612	X					
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Signatures

By: /s/ Van Huynh Attorney-in-Fact For: William L. Kimsey

**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) Represents the grant of restricted stock units to the reporting person. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
- (2) The option vests 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 6.25% at the end of each three-month period thereafter.

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