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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WELSH JAMES K Issuer Symbol WESTERN DIGITAL CORP (Check all applicable) [WDC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O WESTERN DIGITAL 08/16/2010 EVP & GM, Branded Products CORPORATION, 20511 LAKE FOREST DRIVE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting LAKE FOREST, CA 92630-7741 (City) (Zip) (State)

(City)	(State)	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or				Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (I Following or Indire Reported (I)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(IIIsti. 5 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/16/2010		M	947	A	\$ 19.4	43,895	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2010		M	4,501	A	\$ 16.85	48,396	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2010		S	5,448	D	\$ 24.7765	42,948	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number coof 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.85	08/16/2010		M	4,501	02/04/2010(2)	02/04/2016	Common Stock	4,501
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.4	08/16/2010		M	947	11/08/2007(3)	11/08/2016	Common Stock	947

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

WELSH JAMES K C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION 20511 LAKE FOREST DRIVE LAKE FOREST, CA 92630-7741

EVP & GM, Branded Products

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Garcia Attorney-in-Fact For: James K.

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**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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).
- Represents the weighted average sale price per share. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from a low of (1) \$24.7701 to a high of \$24.78. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- 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 (2) 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.
- (3) 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.

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