SHAKEEL ARIF Form 4

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response...

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SHAKEEL ARIF

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

WESTERN DIGITAL CORP

[WDC]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/10/2011

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION, 3355

MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Issuer

IRVINE, CA 92612

(City) (State)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(A)

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

25,814

Price Code V Amount (D)

Common Stock (1)

11/10/2011

\$0 Α 4,846

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 As Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.79	11/10/2011		A	11,542	11/10/2012(2)	11/10/2018	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHAKEEL ARIF

C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION
3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100

IRVINE, CA 92612

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Garcia Attorney-in-Fact For: Arif Shakeel 11/14/2011

**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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