

Seagate Technology plc  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
COLEMAN WILLIAM T III

(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)  
10/24/2012

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)

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |             |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|-------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                | (A) or (D)                                                        | Price                                                                                         |                                                          |                                            |   |             |
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                | Code                                                              | V                                                                                             | Amount                                                   |                                            |   |             |
| Ordinary Shares                 | 10/24/2012                           |                                                    | A <sup>(1)</sup>               |                                                                   | 8,235                                                                                         | A                                                        | \$ 0 19,586                                | D |             |
| Ordinary Shares                 | 10/24/2012                           |                                                    | S <sup>(2)</sup>               |                                                                   | 1,475                                                                                         | D                                                        | \$ 27.5219 18,111                          | D |             |
| Ordinary Shares                 |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   |                                                                                               |                                                          | 453                                        | I | 401(k) Plan |

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. 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V (A) (D)                                                                               | Date Exercisable                                         | Expiration Date                                               | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                                       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                      | Relationships |           |         |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                                                     | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| COLEMAN WILLIAM T III<br>SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PLC<br>10200 S DE ANZA BOULEVARD<br>CUPERTINO, CA 95014 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Roberta S Cohen by  
power-of-attorney  
10/26/2012

\*\*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 share units awarded to the Reporting Person. The restricted share units will be converted into Ordinary Shares on a one-for-one basis upon distribution. Subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service with the Company, the distribution of Ordinary Shares to the Reporting Person will occur upon the earlier of (i) one year from the date of grant and (ii) one day prior to the next annual general meeting of the shareholders.
- (2) Shares sold under a 10b5-1 Trading Plan to pay tax liabilities resulting from the vesting of restricted stock unit shares.

### Remarks:

EXHIBIT INDEX  
Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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