

WESTERN DIGITAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
August 10, 2012

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

August 7, 2012

Western Digital Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-08703

33-0956711

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

3355 Michelson Drive, Suite 100, Irvine,  
California

92612

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(949) 672-7000

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On August 7, 2012, Joseph R. Carrillo, Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer of Western Digital Corporation (the "Company"), accepted an appointment to the position of head of the finance organization for the Company's WD Division. In his position as Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer, Mr. Carrillo had served as the Company's principal accounting officer.

On August 7, 2012, Wolfgang U. Nickl was promoted from the position of Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer to the position of Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Effective August 7, 2012, Mr. Nickl, who currently serves as the Company's principal financial officer, will also serve as the Company's principal accounting officer. Mr. Nickl, age 43, had served as the Company's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer since August 2010. Prior to that, Mr. Nickl served as the Company's Vice President, Finance, from October 2005 to August 2010, as Vice President, Worldwide Business Operations from May 2005 to October 2005, and as Executive Director, Worldwide Business Operations from July 2003 to May 2005. He joined the Company in 1995. There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Nickl and any other person pursuant to which Mr. Nickl was appointed to serve as the Company's principal accounting officer. There are no family relationships between Mr. Nickl and any director or executive officer of the Company, and he has no direct or indirect material interest in any transaction required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

On August 7, 2012, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company approved an increase in Mr. Nickl's annual base salary from \$400,000 to \$450,000, and an increase in Mr. Nickl's target annual bonus opportunity from 75% of base salary to 85% of base salary.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

*August 10, 2012*

Western Digital Corporation

By: */s/ Michael C. Ray*

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*Name: Michael C. Ray*

*Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary*