

Richarz David K  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Richarz David K

(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)  
 01/31/2013

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)  
 Executive Vice President,Sales

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Ordinary Shares	01/31/2013		M		18,750	A		\$ 3.345
								19,303 <sup>(1)</sup>
Ordinary Shares	01/31/2013		S		18,750	D		\$ 34.2441
								553 <sup>(2)</sup>

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)
NQ Stock Options	\$ 3.345	01/31/2013		M	18,750	09/11/2010 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/06/2016	Ordinary Shares 18,750

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Richarz David K SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PLC 10200 S. DE ANZA BOULEVARD CUPERTINO, CA 95014			Executive Vice President, Sales	

## Signatures

/s/ Roberta S Cohen by power of attorney  
02/04/2013

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\*\*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) On January 31, 2013, the Reporting Person purchased 553 Ordinary Shares under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Such acquisition is exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.  
The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at sales prices ranging from \$34.24 to \$34.26, inclusive. 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 within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (2) Options granted to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2004 Stock Compensation Plan are subject to a four and a half year vesting schedule. One quarter of the option shares vested on September 11, 2010. The remaining option shares vest proportionally each month over the 36 months following September 11, 2010.

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