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11/10/2011

FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB** 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or 0.5 response... Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (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 DENERO HENRY T Issuer Symbol WESTERN DIGITAL CORP (Check all applicable) [WDC] 10% Owner (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O WESTERN DIGITAL 11/10/2011 CORPORATION, 3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100 (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 **IRVINE, CA 92612** (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Code

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

A

Code V Amount

4,846

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

(D)

A

Price

\$0

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Owned

Following

Reported

47,138

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

D

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title I
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		Relationsh 10% Owner	iips	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DENERO HENRY T C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION 3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100 IRVINE, CA 92612	X			

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Garcia Attorney-in-fact For: Henry T.

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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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