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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Adams Mark

(Last)

(First)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/19/2017

4. Relationship of Reporting

Seagate Technology plc [STX]

(Check all applicable)

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

10200 S. DEANZA **BOULEVARD**

(Street)

X Director Officer

10% Owner Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

CUPERTINO, Â CAÂ 95014

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

(Middle)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Restricted Share Unit Grant $\hat{A} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \hat{A} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \frac{Ordinary}{Shares} 5,470 \qquad \$ \stackrel{(1)}{=} \qquad D \qquad \hat{A}$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Adams Mark

10200 S. DEANZA BOULEVARD Â X Â Â

CUPERTINO. CAÂ 95014

Signatures

/s/ Suhani Akhare by Power of Attorney for Mark W. Adams

01/20/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

Consists of a grant of restricted share units awarded to the Reporting Person under the Amended and Restated Seagate Technology plc 2012 Equity Incentive Plan for no consideration. Each restricted share unit represents a contingent right to receive one Ordinary Share of

(1) the Issuer. Subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service with the Issuer, shares will be released to the Reporting Person on 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 of the Issuer following the end of the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2017.

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