

Seagate Technology plc  
Form 8-K  
April 17, 2012

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

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

Date of report (date of earliest event reported): **April 17, 2012**

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**SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Ireland**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-31560**  
(Commission File Number)

**98-0648577**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

**38/39 Fitzwilliam Square**

**NA**

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**Dublin 2**

**Ireland**

(Address of principal executive office)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(353) (1) 234-3136**

**NA**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On April 17, 2012, Seagate Technology plc (or the Company) issued a press release and supplemental commentary reporting its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 30, 2012. The press release and supplemental commentary are attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and 99.2, respectively.

The information contained in this report, the attached press release and supplemental commentary is furnished but shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of such section.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K:

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
|--------------------|---|
| 99.1               | Press release, dated April 17, 2012, of Seagate Technology plc entitled Seagate Technology Reports Fiscal Third Quarter 2012 Financial Results.       |
| 99.2               | Supplemental Commentary, dated April 17, 2012, of Seagate Technology plc entitled Seagate Technology plc Fiscal Third Quarter 2012 Financial Results. |

**Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

*This Current Report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, in particular, statements about our plans, strategies and prospects and estimates of industry growth for the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2012 and beyond. These statements identify prospective information and include words such as expects, plans, anticipates, believes, estimates, predicts, projects and similar expressions. These forward-looking statements are based on information available to the Company as of the date of this document. Current expectations, forecasts and assumptions involve a number of risks, uncertainties, and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated by these forward-looking statements. Such risks, uncertainties, and other factors may be beyond the Company's control. In particular, the uncertainty in global economic conditions continues to pose a risk to the Company's operating and financial performance as consumers and businesses may defer purchases in response to tighter credit and financial news. Such risks and uncertainties also include, but are not limited to, the impact of the variable demand and adverse pricing environment for disk drives, particularly in view of current business and economic conditions; dependence on the Company's ability to successfully qualify, manufacture and sell its disk drive products in increasing volumes on a cost-effective basis and with acceptable quality, particularly the new disk drive products with lower cost structures; the impact of competitive product announcements; and possible excess industry supply with respect to particular disk drive products; the Company's ability to achieve projected cost savings in connection with restructuring plans; the risk that we will incur significant incremental costs in connection with our recently executed transaction with Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. ( Samsung ) or that we will not achieve the*

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*benefits expected from such transaction; and significant disruption to the industry supply chain due to the severe flooding throughout parts of Thailand. Information concerning risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause results to differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements is contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K and Form 10-K/A as filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on August 17, 2011 and August 24, 2011 respectively, and in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q as filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on January 25, 2012 which statements are incorporated into this document by reference. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing the Company's views as of any subsequent date and the Company undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date they were made.*

**SIGNATURE**

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, thereto duly authorized.

SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

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| By:    | /s/ PATRICK J. O MALLEY                              |
| Name:  | Patrick J. O Malley                                  |
| Title: | Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer |

Date: April 17, 2012