

WESTERN DIGITAL CORP  
Form DEFA14A  
September 27, 2011

**SCHEDULE 14A**  
**PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(a) OF THE SECURITIES**  
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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the  
Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on November 10, 2011.**

**WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION**

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IRVINE, CA 92612

**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting  
**For holders as of:** September 16, 2011  
**Date:** November 10, 2011 **Time:** 8:00 a.m., PST  
**Location:** Hyatt Regency Irvine  
17900 Jamboree Road  
Irvine, CA 92614  
Directions: 1-949-975-1234

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This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com) or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

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**Before You Vote**

How to Access the Proxy Materials

**Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT

2011 ANNUAL REPORT

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**How To Vote**

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

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**Voting Deadline:** If you vote by Internet or Mail, your vote must be received by 11:59 PM Eastern Time on November 9, 2011. Participants in the Western Digital 401(k) Plan must provide voting instructions for the shares in their plan account by 11:59 PM Eastern Time on November 7, 2011 to allow sufficient time for the plan trustee to vote the shares prior to the meeting.

**Voting Items**

**The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR each of the following nominees:**

1. Election of Directors
- 1a. Kathleen A. Cote
- 1b. John F. Coyne
- 1c. Henry T. DeNero
- 1d. William L. Kimsey
- 1e. Michael D. Lambert
- 1f. Len J. Lauer
- 1g. Matthew E. Massengill
- 1h. Roger H. Moore
- 1i. Thomas E. Pardun
- 1j. Arif Shakeel

**The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR Proposal 2:**

2. To approve on an advisory basis the named executive officer compensation in the proxy statement.

**The Board of Directors recommends a vote for 1 YEAR on Proposal 3:**

3. To approve on an advisory basis the frequency of future advisory votes on named executive officer compensation.

**The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR Proposal 4:**

4. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for Western Digital Corporation for the fiscal year ending June 29, 2012.
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