

Seagate Technology plc  
Form 8-K  
May 07, 2013

**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): **May 7, 2013**

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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**  
**Dublin 2**  
**Ireland**  
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

**NA**  
(Zip Code)

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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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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On May 7, 2013 Robert W. Whitmore, Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of Seagate Technology plc (the Company ) announced that he plans to step down from his current role as Chief Technology Officer effective July 1, 2013. Prior to that date Mr. Whitmore will work with William D. Mosley, Executive Vice President, Operations, to ensure a smooth transition. After July 1, 2013 the functions previously under Mr. Whitmore s oversight will become the responsibility of Mr. Mosley as our Executive Vice President responsible for the Company s Operations and Research and Development. Mr. Whitmore will remain at the Company after July 1, 2013 in a senior technical advisory capacity.

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**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, hereunto duly authorized.

SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

By: /s/ KENNETH M. MASSARONI  
Name: Kenneth M. Massaroni  
Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel, Chief  
Administrative Officer and Company Secretary

Date: May 7, 2013