Seagate Technology plc Form 8-K November 22, 2011

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 21, 2011

# SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ireland
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-31560 (Commission File Number) **98-0648577** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

38/39 Fitzwilliam Square
Dublin 2, Ireland
(Address of principal executive office)

N/A (Zip Code)

(353) (1) 234-3136

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(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

## N/A

| (Former name or | former | address, | if chan | ged since | last report) |
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|   | the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of lowing provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below): |
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| Item 7.01 | Regulation | FD | Disclosure. |
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On November 21, 2011, Seagate Technology plc issued a press release announcing an arbitration award. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K including the exhibit hereto 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:

#### Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release issued by Seagate Technology plc on November 21, 2011 announcing an arbitration award.

### **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 with respect to the Company's intent to seek court confirmation of the arbitration award through a judgment to be entered by the Hennepin County District Court. These forward-looking statements are based on information available to the Company as of the date of this report. Current expectations 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, such as the ultimate outcome of the referenced arbitration, whether a judgment will be entered in the Company's favor and the amount of any such judgment that may be entered, may be beyond the Company's control.

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.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

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/ PATRICK J. O MALLEY

Name: Patrick J. O Malley

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 21, 2011