# 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): May 5, 2023



# WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

> 5601 Great Oaks Parkway San Jose, California (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

001-08703 (Commission File Number) 33-0956711 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

95119 (Zip Code)

(408) 717-6000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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):

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

D Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value Per Share	WDC	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
		(Nasdaq Global Select Market)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.  $\Box$ 

# Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 5, 2023, Western Digital Corporation ("Company") issued a press release regarding an update on a network security incident involving Company systems. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

# Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) The following exhibits are filed as a part of this report.

### Exhibit No. Description

99.1	Press Release issued by Western Digital Corporation	<u>dated May 5, 2023 regarding an update on a network security incident</u>
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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.

# Western Digital Corporation (Registrant)

By:

/s/ Michael C. Ray

Michael C. Ray Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

Date: May 5, 2023

### Western Digital Provides Update on Network Security Incident

SAN JOSE, Calif. — May 5, 2023 — Western Digital Corp. (NASDAQ: WDC) today provided an update on a network security incident involving the Company's systems.

On March 26, 2023, we identified a network security incident where an unauthorized third party gained access to a number of the Company's systems.

On April 2, 2023, we disclosed that upon discovery of this incident, we implemented incident response efforts and initiated an investigation with the assistance of leading security industry experts. This investigation is underway and includes analysis to understand the nature and scope of data obtained by the unauthorized party.

As a precautionary measure to secure our business operations, the Company proactively disconnected our systems and services from the public Internet. We are progressing through our restoration process and the majority of our impacted systems and services are now operational. Our factories are and have been operational throughout this incident and we are shipping products to meet our customers' needs. While initially impacted by our proactive measures, as of April 13, 2023, My Cloud service was restored. Account access to Western Digital's online store also was impacted and is expected to be restored the week of May 15, 2023.

In collaboration with outside forensic experts, we confirmed that an unauthorized party obtained a copy of a Western Digital database used for our online store that contained some personal information of our online store customers. This information included customer names, billing and shipping addresses, email addresses and telephone numbers. In addition, the database contained, in encrypted format, hashed and salted passwords and partial credit card numbers. We will communicate directly with impacted customers.

We are aware that other alleged Western Digital information has been made public. We are investigating the validity of this data and will continue reporting our findings as appropriate.

Regarding reports of the potential to fraudulently use digital signing technology allegedly attributed to Western Digital in consumer products, we can confirm that we have control over our digital certificate infrastructure. In the event we need to take precautionary measures to protect customers, we are equipped to revoke certificates as needed. We'd like to remind consumers to always use caution when downloading applications from non-reputable sources on the Internet.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws, including statements regarding the network security incident, our related responsive actions and communications, the restoration of our systems and services and our ability to implement additional precautionary measures. The forward-looking statements contained in this press release are based on management's current expectations and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements, including: additional information regarding the extent of the network security incident that we may uncover during our ongoing investigation, our ability to fully assess and remedy the security incident, and the possibility of additional disruption to our Company's business operations caused by the security incident. Additional risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially include the risks and uncertainties listed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), including the Company's Form 10-K filed with the SEC on August 25, 2022, to which your attention is directed. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof, and the Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise the forward-looking statements to reflect new information or events, except as required by law.

### **About Western Digital**

Western Digital is on a mission to unlock the potential of data by harnessing the possibility to use it. With Flash and HDD franchises, underpinned by advancements in memory technologies, we create breakthrough innovations and powerful data storage solutions that enable the world to actualize its aspirations. Core to our values, we recognize the urgency to combat climate change and have committed to ambitious carbon reduction goals approved by the Science Based Targets initiative. Learn more about Western Digital and the Western Digital<sup>®</sup>, SanDisk<sup>®</sup> and WD<sup>®</sup> brands at www.westerndigital.com.

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