

## **OakGate Technology Appoints Timothy Leyden to its Board of Directors**

*Western Digital Corporation's Chief Financial Officer Brings Extensive Industry Experience to the Board of Privately-Held OakGate*

**Loomis, California, June 30, 2014** — OakGate Technology, the industry leader in test, validation and benchmarking platforms for storage products announced that Timothy M. Leyden, Chief Financial Officer of Western Digital Corporation, has joined its Board of Directors. Mr. Leyden becomes the fourth member of privately held OakGate Technology's Board of Directors.

“We are very pleased to add a seasoned executive of Tim’s caliber OakGate’s Board. As a veteran of the storage industry and a key executive of the world’s largest disk drive manufacturer, Tim brings a wealth of experience to our fast growing company,” said Bob Weisickle, founder and CEO, OakGate Technology. “Over the past two decades, Tim has led multiple aspects of Western Digital’s business including finance and operations. I look forward to working with Tim and our Board to drive strong growth initiatives for OakGate,” added Mr. Weisickle.

“OakGate has built a strong, profitable business and an impressive set of customers without raising external capital. The company has established a clear leadership position in the fast growing flash storage market with comprehensive test solutions and built a solid reputation for customer support,” said Mr. Leyden. “I am excited to join OakGate’s Board and look forward to contributing its future success,” added Mr. Leyden.

### ***About OakGate Technology***

OakGate Technology Inc. ([www.oakgatetech.com](http://www.oakgatetech.com)) is a leading provider of test, validation, and benchmarking test platform to the storage industry. The privately held company is a recognized leader in test and validation tools for solid state storage. OakGate’s highly-capable and flexible platforms support all popular storage protocols and are based on advanced, proprietary software, and industry standard hardware. OakGate’s products have been deployed by top tier components suppliers, drive manufacturers, and storage system OEMs worldwide. Based in Loomis, California, OakGate Technology was founded in 2008 by industry veterans from storage and server industries.