

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Northern Data AG		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/26/2021	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Riot Blockchain, Inc. [RIOT]		
(Last)	(First)		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
(Middle)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(Street) AN DER WELLE 3		FRANKFURT AM MAIN, 2M 60322			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned</b>		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) Common Stock, no par value	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) 11,800,000 (1)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Northern Data AG AN DER WELLE 3 FRANKFURT AM MAIN, 2M 60322		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Aroosh Thillainathan, Chief Executive Officer		05/27/2021
*Signature of Reporting Person		Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

These securities were acquired by Northern Data AG, a German stock corporation ("Northern Data"), pursuant to that certain Stock Purchase Agreement, dated April 8, (1) 2021, by and among Northern Data, Whinstone US, Inc., a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware, and Riot Blockchain, Inc., a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Nevada.

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