Gutierrez Thomas Form 4 May 20, 2011

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Gutierrez Thomas

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC

[VECO]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2011

C/O VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC., TERMINAL DRIVE

(Street)

(Zip)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(State)

PLAINVIEW, NY 11803

(City)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

D

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

Estimated average

burden hours per

or

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 05/20/2011 Stock

756 (1) A \$0 A 3,251

(A)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	5. 6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and		8. Price of	9. Nu
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						Exercisable	Date	of			
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Reporting Owners

Relationships **Reporting Owner Name / Address** Director 10% Owner Officer Other **Gutierrez Thomas** C/O VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC. X TERMINAL DRIVE PLAINVIEW, NY 11803

Signatures

Gregory A. Robbins, 05/20/2011 Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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 shares were awarded as restricted stock pursuant to the Veeco Instruments Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan in consideration of services as a director. These shares are subject to certain restrictions which shall lapse on the earlier to occur of: (i) the date immediately preceding the date of the Company's 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders and (ii) the first anniversary of the award date.

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