VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC

Form 4

March 12, 2014

FORM 4

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

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obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

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. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

PEELER JOHN R

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC., TERMINAL DRIVE

(Street)

PLAINVIEW, NY 11803

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC [VECO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

03/10/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title _ below)

Chairman & CEO

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/10/2014		M	23,296	A	\$ 20.74	195,605	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2014		M	8,582	A	\$ 17.48	204,187	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2014		S	23,296 (1)	D	\$ 42.2	180,891	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2014		S	8,582 (1)	D	\$ 44.35	172,309	D	

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$ 20.74	03/10/2014		M	23,296	<u>(2)</u>	06/30/2014	common stock	23,296
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$ 17.48	03/10/2014		M	8,582	(3)	06/11/2015	common stock	8,582

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PEELER JOHN R							
VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC.	X		Chairman				
TERMINAL DRIVE	Λ		& CEO				
PLAINVIEW, NY 11803							

Signatures

Gregory A. Robbins,
Attorney-in-fact
03/12/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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).
- (1) Represents securities sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) The option was granted on July 1, 2007 and became exercisable with respect to 1/3 of such shares on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

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(3) The option was granted on June 12, 2008 and became exercisable with respect to 1/3 of such shares on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

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