

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC Filed by PLATINUM INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD

FORM SC 13G

(Statement of Ownership)

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Address TERMINAL DRIVE

PLAINVIEW, NY 11803

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Symbol VECO

SIC Code 3559 - Special Industry Machinery, Not Elsewhere Classified

Industry Semiconductors

Sector Technology

Fiscal Year 12/31

(b) Terminal Drive Plainview, NY 11803 Item 2. (a) Platinum Investment Management Limited (b) Level 8, 7 Macquarie Place Sydney NSW 2000 Australia (c) Australia (d) Common Stock (e) 922417100 Item 3. N/A Item 4. (a) 2,802,471 (b) 8.7% (c) (i) 2,802,471 (ii) 0 (iii) 2,802,471 (iv) 0 Item 5 No Item 6 No Item 7 N/A Item 8 N/A

Item 10

Item 9 N/A

Item 1.

(a) Veeco Instruments Inc.

(a) N/A

(b) By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.