

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC

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FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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Address	TERMINAL DRIVE PLAINVIEW, NY 11803
Telephone	516 677-0200
CIK	0000103145
Symbol	VECO
SIC Code	3559 - Special Industry Machinery, Not Elsewhere Classified
Industry	Semiconductors
Sector	Technology
Fiscal Year	12/31

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public
Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the
Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
Collingwood Peter	VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC [VECO]	<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)
VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC., TERMINAL DRIVE	11/12/2010	SVP WW Sales & Field Service
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
PLAINVIEW, NY 11803		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/12/2010		M		6667	A	\$12.38	12314	D	
Common Stock	11/12/2010		M		6666	A	\$8.82	18980	D	
Common Stock	11/12/2010		M		3333	A	\$12.02	22313	D	
Common Stock	11/12/2010		M		6666	A	\$12.36	28979	D	
Common Stock	11/12/2010		S		15238 (1)	D	\$42.5403 (2)	13741	D	
Common Stock	11/12/2010		S		13741 (1)	D	\$43.3734 (3)	0	D	

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$12.38	11/12/2010		M		6667	(4)	10/5/2015	common stock	6667	\$0	6667	D	
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$8.82	11/12/2010		M		6666	(5)	5/17/2016	common stock	6666	\$0	13334	D	
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$12.02	11/12/2010		M		3333	(6)	6/17/2016	common stock	3333	\$0	6667	D	
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$12.36	11/12/2010		M		6666	(7)	6/28/2016	common stock	6666	\$0	13334	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Represents securities sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) Reflects weighted average sale price. Actual sale prices ranged from \$42.14 to \$43.13 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon the request of the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) Reflects weighted average sale price. Actual sale prices ranged from \$43.15 to \$43.65 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon the request of the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) The option was granted on October 6, 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.
- (5) The option was granted on May 18, 2009 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.
- (6) The option was granted on June 18, 2009 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.
- (7) The option was granted on June 29, 2009 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.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Collingwood Peter VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC. TERMINAL DRIVE PLAINVIEW, NY 11803			SVP WW Sales & Field Service	

Signatures**Gregory A. Robbins, Attorney-in-fact****11/16/2010**

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* 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).

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