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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 12, 2007

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-16244

(Commission File Number)

11-2989601

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 Sunnyside Boulevard, Suite B, Woodbury, New York 11797

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(516) 677-0200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 7 - Regulation FD

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On February 12, 2007, in connection with its release of financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2006, Veeco Instruments Inc. posted an updated version of its investor presentation to its website (www.veeco.com). A copy of this presentation is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

The information in this report, including the exhibit, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c)	Exhibits	
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Exhibit	Description
99.1	Veeco Instruments Inc Investor Presentation dated February 12, 2007.
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC.

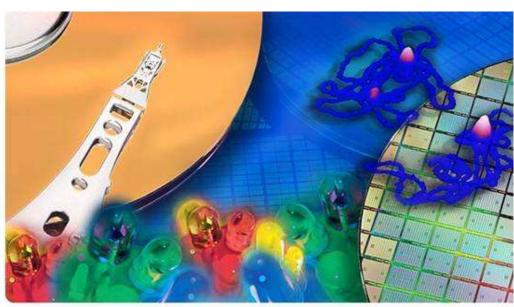
February 14, 2007

By: /s/ Gregory A. Robbins
Gregory A. Robbins
Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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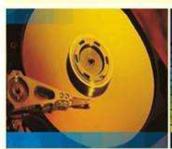
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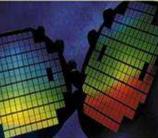
Veeco Provides Enabling Technology in Process Equipment and Metrology for Multiple Growth Markets

Data Storage Semiconductor

HB-LED Wireless Scientific Research







90 and 65nm 300mm



HB-LED / Wireless, Automotive, Camera Cell Phones, Backlit LCD TV



Nanotech, Material & Life Science

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Veeco's Strategy For Growth

- Offer a broad product line of well differentiated enabling Process Equipment and Metrology technologies
- Establish strategic relationships with technology leaders worldwide
- Capture leading market share in all product lines
- Leverage our exposure to high-growth end markets
- Fuel our growth through internal development of multi generational new products aligned to our customers' new technology strategic roadmaps
- Continually improve our operations to remain profitable through industry cycles

WE BELIEVE THERE IS A MULTI-HUNDRED MILLION DOLLAR GROWTH OPPORTUNITY FOR VEECO EXISTING IN THE TECHNOLOGIES WE OWN TODAY

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2006 Highlights

- 2006 Revenue \$441M up 8%; EBITA up 38% from 2005
- 2006 Bookings \$493.8M, up 22% from 2005
- Gross Margin improvement continues; up 200 basis points to 44% in 2006
- EPS (excluding certain items) \$0.74 vs. \$0.46, up 61% vs 2005
- Increased revenue and profitability in each quarter of 2006
- Continued strong cash generation
- All Veeco business units profitable in Q3 and Q4
- Increased market share; strong pipeline of new products
- Broadened Veeco product line in Process Equipment (PVD, ALD, Slider, MOCVD, BioAFM). Expect > \$200M of new product revenue in 2007.
- Improved worldwide Distribution and Service organization
- Named senior Veeco executive, Benjamin Loh, to newly created position of Executive VP, Worldwide Field Operations (Sales & Service)

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Veeco 2006 Multi-Market Growth... Double Digit Growth in Data Storage and HB-LED/Wireless

Double digit growth in Data Storage and HB-LED/Wireless

		2005 Veeco Revenue	2006 Veeco Revenue	
Data Storage	Perpendicular Recording technology & consumer electronics require new Veeco Equipment & Metrology	\$167M	\$184M	+10%
HB-LED/ Wireless	Brightness Roadmap for new LCD-TV backlighting requires new MOCVD tools	\$63M	\$89M	+42%
Semi- conductor	3D Metrology required as dimensions shrink below 90nm	\$69M	\$58M	-17%
Scientific Research	Nanoscale Research requires atomic instrumentation	\$111M	\$111M	Flat
		\$410M	\$441M	+8%

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We Have Strategic Relationships With Global **Technology Leaders & Strong Market Share**

STRONG MARKET SHARE

SERVING GLOBAL INDUSTRY LEADERS

Data Storage

#1 TFMH Equipment











HB-LED / Wireless

A Leader in MOCVD and MBE



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Semiconductor

#1 AFM, **Leader Optical**









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Scientific Research #1 Research AFM





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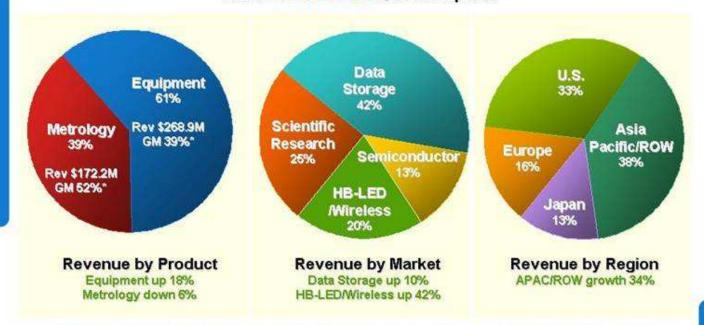


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Veeco Has Diverse... Multi-Product...Multi-Market...Worldwide Exposure

2006 REVENUE \$441M up 8%



Veeco benefits from product, market and geographic diversity

*Note: GMs are approximate 021207 Investor Presentation ©2806 Vecco Instruments Inc. Veeco

Veeco Has Diverse... Multi-Product...Multi-Market...Worldwide Exposure

2006 ORDERS \$494M; up 22%



Veeco benefits from product, market and geographic diversity

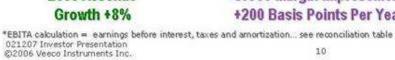
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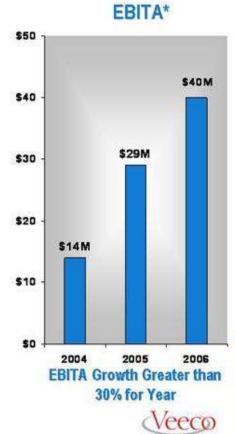


Veeco's Financial Model

2006 Continued Growth in... Revenue, Margins and EBITA







Continued Initiatives... Improve Margins, Operational Excellence, Reduced Cycle Times

- Simplify Veeco operational organization around a single Process Equipment and a single Metrology senior management structure with emphasis on:
 - Development of common hardware/software platforms
 - Increased outsourcing content of new products
 - Shorter manufacturing cycles ...less inventory ...improved reliability
 - Supply chain management ...reduced number of vendors
- Implement SAP across all Veeco divisions to eliminate redundant support functions.
- Operational excellence to include inventory reduction, capex reduction, DSO management and cash generation ...best practices across all of Veeco

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Veeco's 2006 Growth Opportunity... Increased Revenues and Gross Margins



Revenue and margin growth opportunities in both Equipment and Metrology

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Improved Financial Performance in Trough and Peak Quarters

	Tro	ough Qu	arter	Р	eak Qua	arter	
	Equipment	Metrology	Total Veeco	Equipment	Metrology	Total Veeco	Target
Gross Margin	38%	51%	44-45%	40%	53%	44-46%	46-48%
Oper Expense		25	39%		1	34%	32%
EBITA	4%	14%	6%	12%	16%	10-12%	14-17%
Revenue	\$53M	\$41M	\$94M	\$80M	\$45M	\$125-135M	~\$135 to \$145M

Earn 5 to 6% in Trough quarters (\$90 - 95M)

Earn 10 to 12% in Peak quarters (\$125 - \$135M) Earn 14 - 17% at Target Revenue (\$135M - \$145M)

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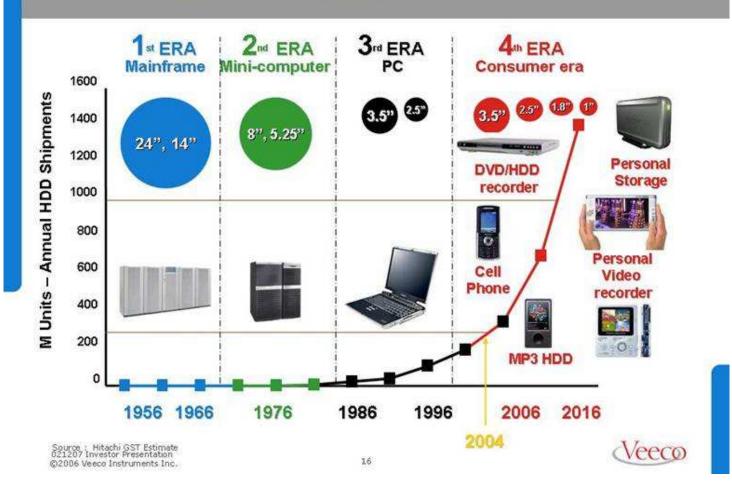
Q1 2007 GUIDANCE (February 12, 2007)

- Q1 revenues to be in the range of \$95 \$105 million.
- Q1 orders to be in the range of \$110 million +/- 5%.
- Q1 2007 GAAP in the range of (\$0.10) to \$0.03 per share.
- Q1 2007 non-GAAP (excluding amortization and the \$0.6 million gain on the repurchase of our convertible notes) earnings per diluted share are expected to be between \$0.02 to \$0.10 using a 35% tax rate, including options expense.

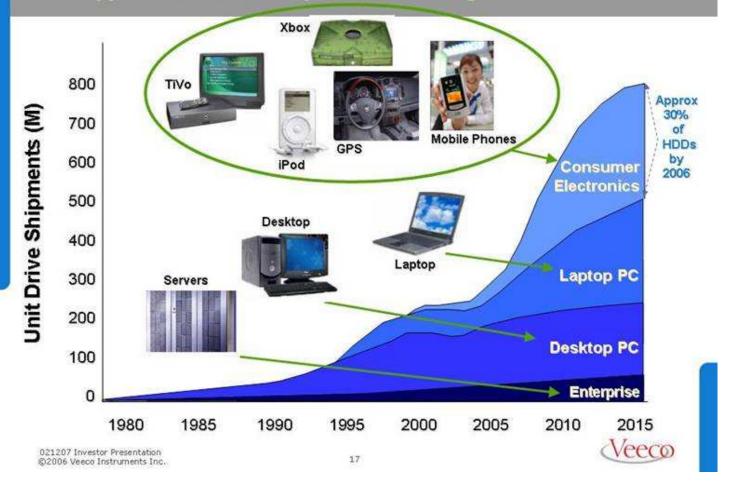


Data Storage Opportunity

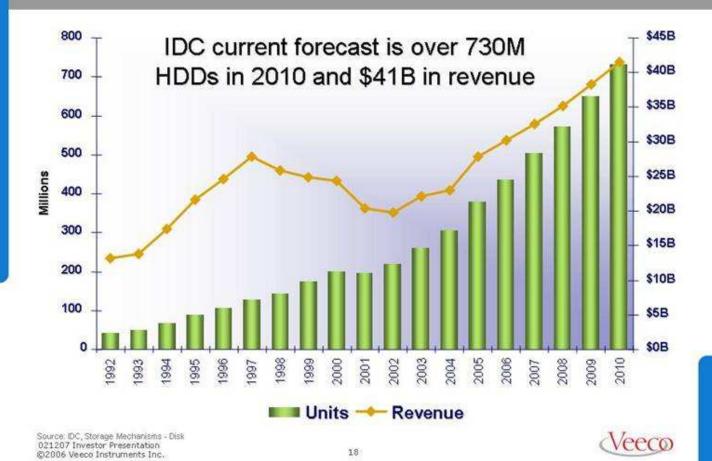
Consumer Applications Enable Dramatic Hard Drive Growth... Unit Growth to Double



Data Storage... Hard Disk Drive Unit >20% CG...Consumer Electronics Segment Will Approach Size of Computer Market Segment



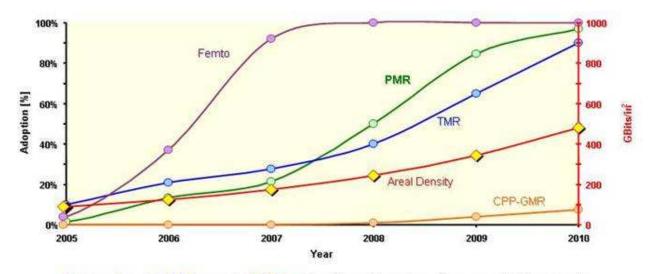
Record Breaking Years Lie Ahead



Technology Advances to Meet Market Requirements... Requires Continued Investment

Rapid adoption of PMR and TMR technology and transition to Femto sliders

Areal Density
Growth 125 to 500 Gbits/in²

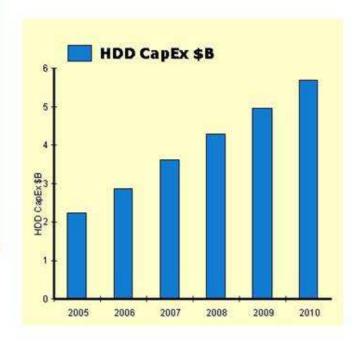


Femto, PMR and TMR technologies have stringent requirements for Process Equipment and Metrology

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Data Storage Capital Intensity Increases... 10% of HDD Revenue



HDD CapEx % of Revenue*

Year	Total HDD Revenue	HDD CapEx \$B	HDD CapEx % of Revenue
2005	\$28.1 B	\$2.23 B	7.9%
2006	\$32.4 B	\$2.87 B	8.9%
2007	\$36.6 B	\$3.62 B	9.9%
2008	\$41.5 B	\$4.29 B	10.3%
2009	\$47.7 B	\$4.96 B	10.4%
2010	\$53.6 B	\$5.68 B	10.6%
Total (2006- 2010)	\$211.9 B	\$21.45	10.1% (avg.)



^{*}Source: Tom Coughlin, Coughlin Associates 021207 Investor Presentation ©2006 Vecco Instruments Inc.

Data Storage Multi-Year Growth in New Technology and Capacity... Provides Veeco with Continued Growth

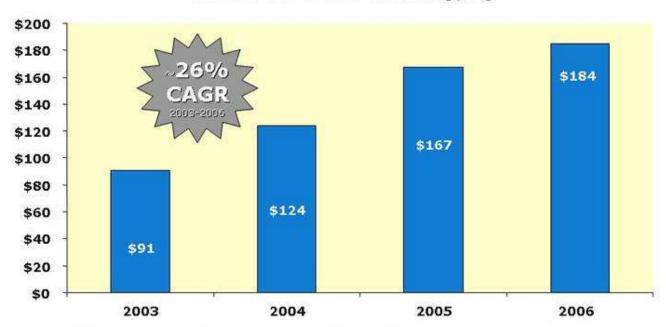
Technology (units)			2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	CAGR
TFMH (N	i) Growth	1	1232	1532	1787	1898	2076	12%
PMR Co	ntent		3%	14%	30%	60%	90%	
Femto Content			10%	30%	80%	100%		
Larger Wafer 150mm/200mm					10%	30%		
Veeco	2003	2004	2005	2006				CAGR
Revenue	\$90M	\$123M	\$167M	\$184M				~26%
Market Conditions		 Areal density growth 30% per year GMR Flash emerges 	TMR higher areal density growth Consumer electronics Seagate / Maxtor	Perpendicular recording / Areal density growth Femto sliders/200mm wafers Continued CE & mobile growth				
New Veeco Products				New Nexus IBE / IBD / DLC Optical Profiler	Hew Slider to (saws/lapping Hew PVD / AL Advanced Me AFM) D deposition		

Source Trend Focus 8/2006 021207 Investor Presentation ©2006 Vecco Instruments Inc.



Veeco HDD Strong Y/Y Growth Trends... Quarters Remain Volatile

Veeco HDD Revenues (\$M)

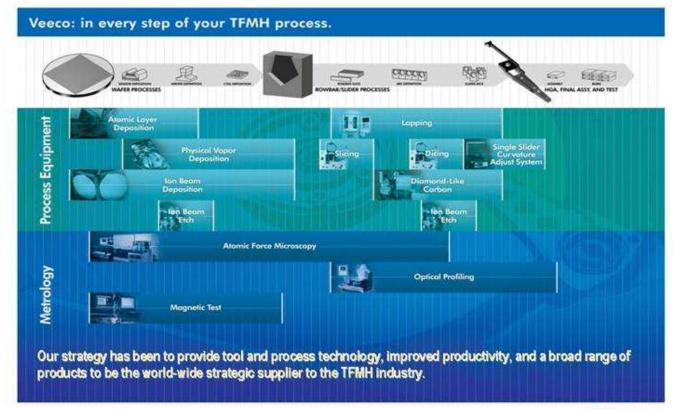


- Veeco to Continue our Commitment to HDD
- Well Positioned to Remain the TFMH Equipment Industry Leader

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Veeco... A Strategic Partner in Every Step of the Manufacturing Process



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Data Storage Current Market Conditions

- Q3 and Q406 slowdown in new purchases as Customers digested equipment orders from Veeco in first half 2006.
- Customers remain committed to technology programs, specifically PMR...Femto...early investment in wafer size change.
- "Consumables" pick-up indicates tight capacity (Equipment utilization over 90%) at key customers.
- 2007 continued double digit Veeco growth opportunity...expect order rate pick-up by Q2.

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HB-LED/Wireless Opportunity

Early Stage, High-Growth Opportunity

- LED market opportunity in its infancy traffic lights, key pads, LCD monitors
- We have key enabling technology, MOCVD
- Each LED generation requires new MOCVD equipment
- Our focus on process technology development, support and strategic customer relationships





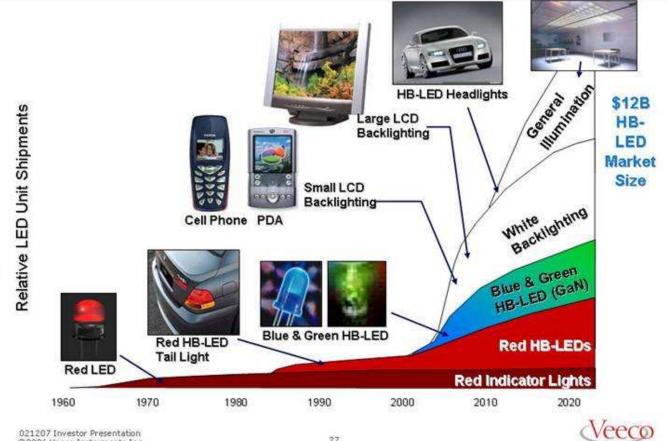




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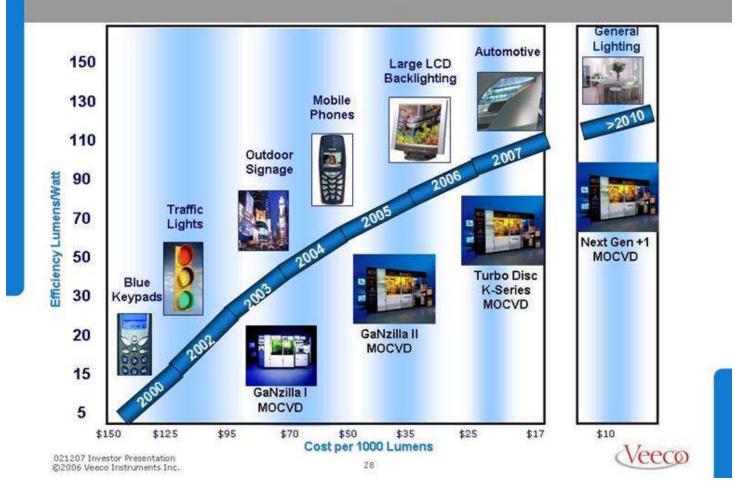
Solid State Lighting Growth Opportunity... Red, Green, Blue HB-LED / Wireless >20% CAGR



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Brightness and Cost Improvements Drive Growth



Multi Year HB-LED/Wireless Growth...Driven By "White LED" Penetration of LCD TV, Automotive & Architectural Lighting

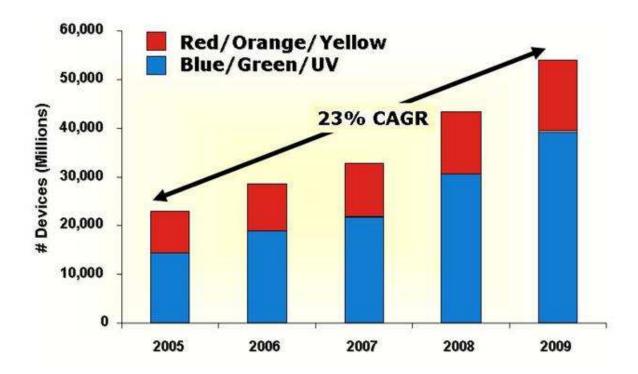
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	CAGR
LED Units 10	10B	12.5B	15B	18B	21B	25B	+20%
Flat Panel Backlit Units @	138M	215M	264M	308M	353M	395M	+23%
LED - Backlit Penetration		0.2%	1.0%	3.5%	9.0%	13.0%	
Veeco CS Revenue		\$65M	\$85M +30 to 35%	\$115M +30%	\$150M 30%	\$175M +15%	27%
Market Applications		Mobile phones Outdoor signs Traffic lights	Camera flash Backlit laptops Auto lighting	 Backlit LCD TV Auto headlights Architectural lighting 	 Specialt lighting General illumina 		

^{*} For emerging applications such as signs/displays, signals, automotive and illumination.
(1) Source: Strategies Unlimited
(2) Source: Display Search

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Multi-Year Growth Opportunity... HB-LED Units Forecast: 23% CAGR



Source: Strategies Unlimited and Vee∞ Estimates 021207 Investor Presentation ©2006 Veeco Instruments Inc.



HB-LED Opportunity... Multi-Year Equipment Growth From Increased Adoption

Mobile **Appliances** Outdoor Signage

LCD Backlighting Automotive Lighting

General Illumination











Cell Phones **PDAs Flashlights**

Large Displays Traffic Signals Storefront Lighting Retail Displays

Flat Panel TVs Laptops

Headlamps **Dashboards** Displays

Architectural and General Illumination

2006-2007 GROWTH OPPORTUNITY

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Emerging Applications... First Wave Small Panel Displays ('06/'07 MOCVD)

HB-LEDs are capturing small panel display backlighting

- Cost and brightness now meet requirements
- · Replaces CCFL backlight, no mercury
- Provide weight, power and panel thickness advantage

"Every small LCD panel maker in Taiwan is qualifying HB-LED backlighting now"

- Taiwan HB-LED Mfg.







GaNzilla II Meets Cost and Performance Requirements

LEDs provide "slimmer and more efficient" LCDs

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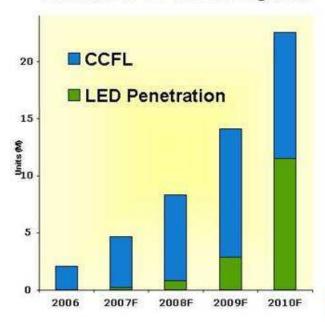
Emerging Applications... Second Wave TV Backlighting ('08/'09 MOCVD)

- Adoption driver: color quality, depth, contrast
- Cost competitive LED backlighting expected for 32" LCD TV in 2007 – sooner than expected
- CCFL covers 85% of NTSC color gamut...LEDs cover 105%



*Source: Insight Media, DigiTimes.com, Press Release, May 26, 2006 021207 Investor Presentation ©2006 Veeco Instruments Inc.

Backlighting Unit Shipment Forecast 40-44" LCD TV Segment





LEDs Catching Up To Traditional Light Sources

el e	Efficiency Lumens/Watt	Cost per 1K Lumens	Useful Life Hours
LED	Production: 50 Lab: 150	\$50	35,000
Incandescent	15	\$1	1,000
Compact Fluorescent	50	\$ 5	10,000

Sources: US DOE PNNL-SA-45784, Company Press Releases 021207 Investor Presentation ©2006 Vecco Instruments Inc.



Latest Developments in HB-LEDs

- Samsung unveils 40 inch LED backlit LCD TV
- Audi announces R8 w/ LED headlights by end of 2007
- Wal-Mart installing LEDs in 500 stores, \$2.6M/year saved
- Samsung launches 20-inch LCD monitor w/ LED BLU
- Samsung says all LCD monitors will be LED-based by 2008
- Nichia achieves 150lm/W (1.7x efficiency of Fluorescent)
- TI introduces LED-backlit DLP RPTV
- LG's introduces battery powered LED projector @ 100lm
- Apple & HP to launch notebooks w/ LED BLU's by Q2'07









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LED Advances Drive Need for MOCVD Improvements

	2006	2007	2009
LED Requirement			
Lumens/Watt	65-85	80-100	120-145
\$/1K Lumens Standard	17	8	3
\$/1K Lumens Power	50	25	10
MOCVD Requirement			
Film Uniformity	2.5nm	2nm	1.5nm
Wafer Sizes	2"	2, 4"	2, 4, 6"
Consumable Cost/Wafer	\$17	\$8	\$4
Automation Level	Batch	Batch	Wafer

New MOCVD Capability Required with Each LED Generation

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Introduced Next-Generation K-Series MOCVD Production Platform

K-Series Platform

- Received orders in Q4 for 5 K-Series; Total = \$10 million.
- · Modular, upgradeable platform
- Common across GaN & As/P product lines
- · Only platform capable of continuous operation
- · More runs per day than any other platform

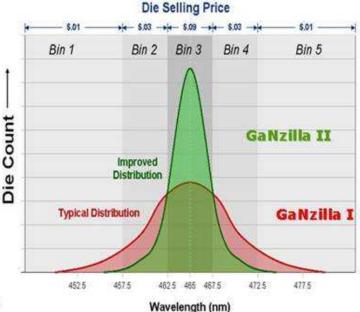
K465 Features

- · Our most advanced reactor technology
 - · Better uniformity
 - Better source efficiency
- 50% greater throughput than competition
- · Largest reactor capacity

GaNzilla II: Improved Uniformity Driving Share Gains in 2006; K-Series with Improved Thruput and Larger Chamber Size To Be Introduced in 2007

- LEDs are binned based on wavelength
 - Wavelength uniformity key measure of Yield
 - Tighter distribution is better
 - More good die per wafer
- New K Series, multigenerational platform offers further improvement in thruput and larger reactor size

(received orders for \$10M first 5 units in Q4)





Metrology Opportunity: Semiconductor and Scientific Research

Veeco's Leading Metrology Solutions











Dimension AFP

BioScope II

Dimension V AFM

NT9800

Dektak 150

Leadership positions in

- · Semiconductor, Data Storage, General Industrial, MEMS Metrology
- Nano/Bio Research university & nano-center focused business

2007 Focus for Nano-Bio Research AFM and Optical

Launch Next Generation Products and Drive Market Expansion

2007 Focus for Automated AFM

- · Launch New Platform
- . Drive Next Level of Market Adoption via new Key Apps in Semi & DS

Successfully Launch M&I New Products To Capture Market Share

2006 **New Products**



Dimension AFP



V Series AFM



BioScope II



Caliber AFM



SP3250



DMEMS Optical

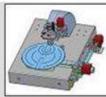


D150Stylus Profiler NT Optical Profiler





New Auto AFM



Fast-Scan AFM



BioScope II Extensions



Vx200 PTR



SP4900



NT/HD Series



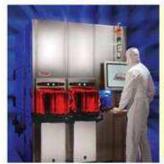
diCaliber II

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2007

New Products

Veeco Created the Semi AFM Market Opportunity and Remains the Clear Market Leader... More than 350 Automated AFM Systems Shipped





Markets

- Semiconductor
- CCD



Automated Pole Tip Recession Metrology

Markets

Data Storage



Advanced 3D AFM Metrology

Markets

- Data Storage
- Mask



New AFP For CMP & Etch Metrology

Markets

- Semiconductor
- Data Storage





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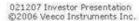


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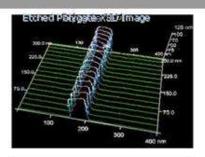


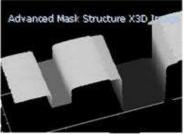


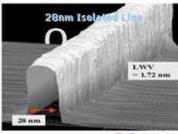
Growing Application Space for Automated AFMs

- Auto-AFMs used for in-line metrology in CMP, Etch, Litho and Mask modules
- Auto-AFM continues penetration at 65
 45nm with new Veeco solutions
- Fab-based Reference Metrology for TEM replacement
- Advanced Mask Metrology for 45nm and below
- Advanced Lithography for Line Edge Roughness & Line Width Variation

Next-Gen, Higher Thruput Platform, in 2007









World Leader in Surface Science and Metrology

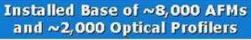
Veeco Has the Broadest Line of Tools For Micro to Nano Applications

Nano Ruler

1,000,000nm

100,000nm

10,000nm





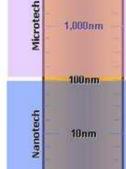
Dektak Stylus



DMEMS Optical



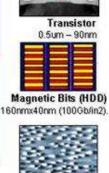
Dimension V



1nm

0.4nm

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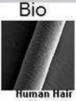


Nano

MEMS 10um - 1mm

Quantum Dots 20nm wide ea.

Thin Films TFH, IC



70um wide



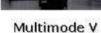
Red Blood Cells





Silicon Atom 0.2nm dia



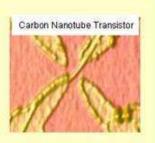


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Veeco's Scientific Research Business (approximately 100 Research AFMs per quarter)

Nanotechnology

- Nano Metrology
- · Nano Manipulation
- Nano Material



We Sell Over 100 Tabletop AFMS Per Quarter... Stable, High Margin Business

Materials Research

- Semiconductor
- Future Data Storage
- Polymers



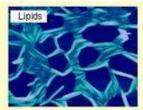


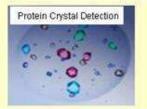


Life Sciences

- Living Cells
- DNA
- Proteomics



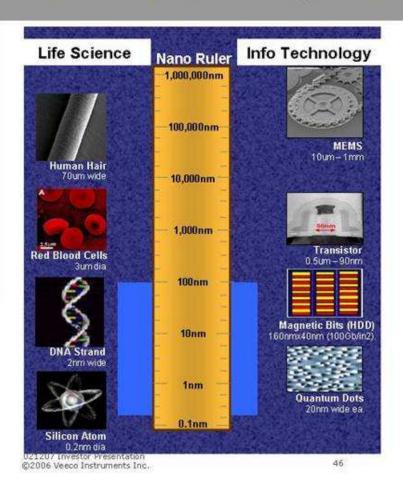






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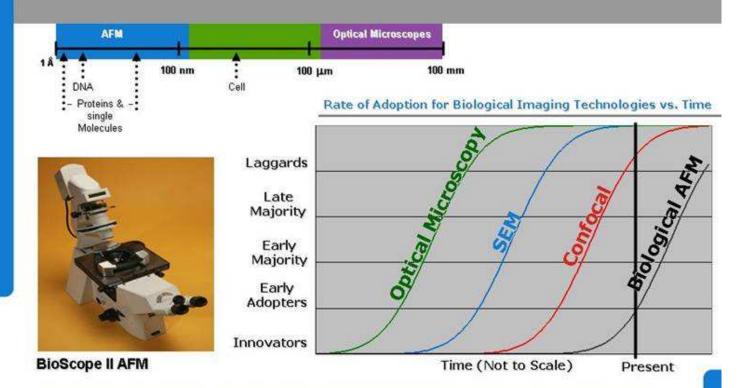


AFMs Image, Measure and Manipulate Nanoscale Structures





BioAFM Microscopy Market in its Infancy



- The potential of the SPM in biology remains largely untapped.
- Quantitative research, followed by clinical applications, will drive adoption.

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APPENDIX

2006 Reconciliation Table

	December 31,		December 31,	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
Operating income	\$10,241	\$6,676	\$22,455	\$11,066
Adjustments:				
Amortization expense	4,016	4,029	15,045	16,583
Merger and restructuring expense	15	1,165 (1)	8.3	1,165 (
Write-off of purchased in-process technology		2	1,160 (2)	N-6
Earnings before interest, income taxes and amortization excluding certain items ("EBITA")	14,257	11,870	39,661	28,814
Interest expense, net	885	1,648	4,268	7,568
Gain on extinguishment of debt	3.5	25.	(330) (3)	88
Adjustment to exclude gain on extinguishment of debt			330	
Earnings excluding certain items before income taxes	13,572	10,222	35,393	21,248
Income tax provision at 35%	4,750	3,578	12,388	7,436
Earnings excluding certain dems	\$8,822	\$6,844	\$23,005	\$13,810
Earnings excluding certain items per diluted share	\$0.28	\$0.22	\$0.74	\$0.46
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	31,185	30,264	31,059	30,144

(1) The \$1.2 million merger and restructuring charge for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2005 consisted of personnel severance costs.

(2) During 2006, the Company purchased a 19.9% interest in Fluens Corporation. During the third quarter of 2006, the Company finalized its purchase accounting for Fluens determining that Fluens is a variable interest entity and the Company is its primary beneficiary as defined by FIN46(R). As such, the Company has consolidated the results of Fluens' operations from the acquisition date. As part of that acquisition, the Company acquired \$1.2 million of in-process technology, which was written off during the third quarter of 2006 as of the acquisition date.

(3) During the first quarter of 2006, the Company repurchased \$20.0 million aggregate principal amount of & 4.125% convertible subordinated notes. As a result of this repurchase, the amount of convertible subordinated notes outstanding was reduced to \$200.0 million, and the Company recorded a gain from the early extinguishment of debt in the amount of \$0.3 million.

NOTE: The above reconciliation is intended to present Veeco's operating results, excluding certain items and providing income taxes at a 35% statutory rate. This reconditation is not in accordance with, or an atternative method for, generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, and may be different from similar measures presented by other companies. Management of the Company evaluates performance of its business units based on EBITA, which is the primary indicator used by management to plan and forecast future periods. The presentation of this financial measurefacilitates meaningful comparison with prior periods, as management of the Company believes EBITA reports baseline performance and thus provides useful information.

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Q107 Guidance Reconciliation Table

Guidance for three months ended March 31, 2007 (in thousands)

	Low End	High End
Operating income	\$6,500	\$10,300
Amortization expense	4,000	4,000
Earnings before interest, income taxes and amortization, excluding certain items ("EBITA")	2,500	6,300
Interest expense, net	1,300	1,300
Earnings excluding certain items before income taxes	1,200	5,000
Income tax provision at 35%	420	1,750
Earnings excluding certain items	\$780	\$3,250
Earnings excluding certain items per diluted share	\$0.02	\$0.10
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	32,250	32,250

(1) The forecasted income tax expenses for the three months ending March 31, 2007 high end and low end guidance is \$1.0 million.

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