VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC Form 8-K November 22, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Vashington, D.C. 20549	
FORM 8-K	
CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 193	

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 22, 2006

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware0-1624411-2989601(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission (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)

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Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officer.

On November 22, 2006, Veeco issued a press release announcing that Edward H. Braun, its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, plans to transition from his current role to the position of Chairman during 2007. Veeco also announced that its Board of Directors has formed a succession planning committee to conduct a search for a new CEO. Mr. Braun will continue to serve as CEO until a successor has been appointed. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press release issued by Veeco Instruments Inc. dated November 22, 2006.

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.

November 22, 2006 By: /s/ Gregory A. Robbins

Gregory A. Robbins

Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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