VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC

Form 4

December 12, 2014

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Miller William John

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC

[VECO]

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Issuer

below)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director

(Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2014

10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

EVP Process Equipment

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

INC., TERMINAL DRIVE

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PLAINVIEW, NY 11803

(City

VEECO INSTRUMENTS

ty)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (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	12/10/2014		M	12,504	A	\$ 8.82	67,282	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2014		S	18,538	D	\$ 37.08 (2)	48,744	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2014		M	15,000	A	\$ 24.89	63,744	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2014		M	830	A	\$ 8.82	64,574	D	
	12/11/2014		M	13,334	A		77,908	D	

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Common Stock						\$ 12.36		
Common Stock	12/11/2014	S	S	29,164	D	\$ 37	48,744	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	FransactionDerivative Code Securities		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)	\$ 8.82	12/10/2014		M		12,504	<u>(1)</u>	05/17/2016	common stock	12,504
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$ 24.89	12/11/2014		M		15,000	<u>(3)</u>	11/30/2021	common stock	15,000
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$ 8.82	12/11/2014		M		830	<u>(1)</u>	05/17/2016	common stock	830
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$ 12.36	12/11/2014		M		13,334	<u>(4)</u>	06/28/2016	common stock	13,334

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				

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Miller William John VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC. TERMINAL DRIVE PLAINVIEW, NY 11803

EVP Process Equipment

Signatures

Gregory A. Robbins, Attorney-in-fact

12/12/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) 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.
- Reflects the weighted average sale price. Actual sale prices ranged from \$37.00 to \$37.30 per share. The reporting person undertakes to (2) provide, upon request by 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) The option was granted on December 1, 2011 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.
- (4) 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.

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