PEELER JOHN R

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

PEELER JOHN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC [VECO]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

VEECO INSTRUMENTS

(State)

05/18/2012

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

05/18/2012

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

Chairman & CEO

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

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

PLAINVIEW, NY 11803

(City)

Common

Stock

INC., TERMINAL DRIVE

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Price Code V Amount (D) 6.537

(Instr. 3 and 4) D

34.49

131,689

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)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title at Amount of		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(monda, Day, Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/	(Month/Day/Year)		ng	(Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Transfer of the same of the sa	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PEELER JOHN R							
VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC.	X		Chairman				
TERMINAL DRIVE			& CEO				
PLAINVIEW, NY 11803							

Signatures

Gregory A. Robbins, Attorney-in-fact 05/22/2012

**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) Represents securities surrendered to Veeco to satisfy tax withholding obligations due upon the vesting of restricted stock.

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