

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC  
[VECO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/10/2014

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP Process Equipment

VEECO INSTRUMENTS  
INC., TERMINAL DRIVE  
  
(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

PLAINVIEW, NY 11803

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
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	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	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)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. 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

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 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.
  - (2) 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.
  - (3) 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.
  - (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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