

Miller William John
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FORM 4

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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)
 03/14/2018

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 President

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
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	03/14/2018		A	(1)	21,832	A	\$ 0 119,374 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)

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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
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	03/14/2018		A	22,724 <u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	22,724 <u>(2)</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Miller William John VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC. TERMINAL DRIVE PLAINVIEW, NY 11803			President	

Signatures

Gregory A. Robbins,
Attorney-in-fact

03/16/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

____Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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These shares were acquired pursuant to a restricted stock award under the Veeco Instruments Inc. 2010 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan") and are subject to certain restrictions. Subject to the reporting person's continued service, these restrictions will lapse: i) 20% on the date which is twelve months from the date of grant, ii) 20% on the date which is eighteen months from the date of grant, iii) 20% on the date which is thirty months from the date of grant, iv) 20% on the date which is forty-two months from the date of grant, and v) 20% on the date which is forty-eight months from the date of grant.

(2) Reflects performance-based restricted stock units ("PRSU") granted under the Plan. Subject to the reporting person's continued service and the achievement of three-year performance criteria (the "Criteria") specified in the award agreement, each PRSU represents the contingent right to receive one share of Veeco common stock. Awards can range from 25% to 150% of the reported PRSUs based on achievement of the Criteria. If the Criteria are not achieved, the award will be forfeited. Subject to having been earned, vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the date specified in the award agreement, but in no case earlier than the third anniversary of the grant date.

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