

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC
Form 8-K
May 16, 2005

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **May 16, 2005**

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-16244
(Commission
File Number)

11-2989601
(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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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Section 8 Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events

On April 12, 2005, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Veeco Instruments Inc. (Veeco) approved an amendment to Veeco s 2000 Stock Incentive Plan (the Plan) to authorize the grant of an additional 1,500,000 awards thereunder (the Amendment). The effectiveness of the Amendment is subject to the approval of stockholders at Veeco s Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on May 25, 2005.

On May 16, 2005, the Compensation Committee adopted a resolution clarifying that Edward H. Braun, Veeco s Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, would not be eligible to receive any of the 1,500,000 new awards made available under the Plan as a result of the Amendment. The action by the Committee would not affect awards previously received under the Plan by Mr. Braun or awards he may receive in the future, other than from the 1,500,000 awards becoming available under the proposed Amendment.

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.

May 16, 2005

By: /s/ Gregory A. Robbins
Gregory A. Robbins
Vice President and General Counsel