

PEELER JOHN R
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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 *
PEELER JOHN R

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)
03/23/2010

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/23/2010		M			50,000	A	\$ 20.74	228,825	D	
Common Stock	03/23/2010		S			50,000 (1)	D	\$ 42.1068 (2)	178,825	D	
Common Stock	03/25/2010		M			25,000	A	\$ 20.74	203,825	D	
Common Stock	03/25/2010		S			25,000 (1)	D	\$ 43.95	178,825	D	

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- Reflects weighted average sale price. Actual sale prices ranged from \$41.95 to \$42.29 per share. The reporting person undertakes to
- (2) provide, upon the request of 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 July 1, 2007 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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