

Collingwood Peter  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Collingwood Peter		(Month/Day/Year)	VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC [VECO]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	06/15/2009	
VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC., Â TERMINAL DRIVE			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
PLAINVIEW, Â NY Â 11803			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			SVP WW Sales & Field Service	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
				<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

(Instr. 5)

Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	Â (1)	10/05/2015	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 12.38	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	10,000	\$ (3)	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	Â (1)	05/17/2016	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 8.82	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	Â (4)	Â (4)	Common Stock	11,000	\$ (3)	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Collingwood Peter VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC. TERMINAL DRIVE PLAINVIEW, NY 11803	Â	Â	Â SVP WW Sales & Field Service	Â

## Signatures

Gregory A. Robbins,  
Attorney-in-fact

06/16/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 becomes exercisable with respect to 1/3 of such shares on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit vests with respect to 1/3 of such shares on each of the second, third and fourth anniversaries of the date of grant. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the vesting date.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Veeco common stock.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit vests with respect to 1/3 of such shares on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the vesting date.

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