

FRIDRICH HEINZ K
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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 *
FRIDRICH HEINZ K

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)

VEECO INSTRUMENTS
INC., TERMINAL DRIVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/27/2009

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

PLAINVIEW, NY 11803

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

(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 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) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction of | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. |
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------|------------------|---|------------------|-----------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 35 | 04/27/2009 | J ⁽¹⁾ | | 7,000 | 05/21/1999 05/20/2009 | Common Stock | 7,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 48.75 | 04/27/2009 | J ⁽¹⁾ | | 7,000 | 05/12/2000 05/11/2010 | Common Stock | 7,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 29.69 | 04/27/2009 | J ⁽¹⁾ | | 7,000 | 05/10/2002 05/09/2009 | Common Stock | 7,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FRIDRICH HEINZ K VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC., TERMINAL DRIVE PLAINVIEW, NY 11803 | X | | | |

Signatures

Gregory A. Robbins,
Attorney-in-fact

04/29/2009

__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 reporting person voluntarily surrendered and cancelled this stock option without consideration.

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