

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC  
 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 \*  
**BRAUN EDWARD H**

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)  
**04/28/2008**

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

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code V	Amount		
Common Stock	04/28/2008		F	(1)	\$ 19,717 17.49	246,485	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008		S(2)		\$ 34,705 19	211,780	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008		S(2)		\$ 7,300 19.01	204,480	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008		S(2)		\$ 7,599 19.02	196,881	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008		S(2)		\$ 7,426 19.03	189,455	D

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Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	3,600	D	\$ 19.04	185,855	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	3,800	D	\$ 19.05	182,055	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	1,266	D	\$ 19.06	180,789	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	2,452	D	\$ 19.07	178,337	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	1,500	D	\$ 19.08	176,837	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	100	D	\$ 19.09	176,737	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	2,100	D	\$ 19.1	174,637	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	900	D	\$ 19.11	173,737	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	700	D	\$ 19.12	173,037	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	600	D	\$ 19.13	172,437	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	187	D	\$ 19.17	172,250	D
Common Stock	04/29/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	300	D	\$ 19.18	171,950	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)

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
					Code V (A) (D)	Title			

Date	Expiration	Amount
Exercisable	Date	or
		Number
		of
		Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BRAUN EDWARD H VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC., TERMINAL DRIVE PLAINVIEW, NY 11803	X			

## Signatures

Gregory A. Robbins, Attorney-in-fact	04/30/2008
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\_\_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) Represents securities surrendered to Veeco to satisfy tax withholding obligations due upon the vesting of restricted stock.
  - (2) This sale was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person.

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