

Munch Mark Robert
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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 *
 Munch Mark Robert

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)
 05/21/2010

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 EVP, M&I

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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	05/21/2010		M		4,167 A \$ 15.24	D	
Common Stock	05/21/2010		S		1,900 (1) D 38.3666 (2)	D	
Common Stock	05/21/2010		S		1,300 (1) D 39.415 (3)	D	
Common Stock	05/21/2010		S		967 (1) D 40.5241 (4)	D	

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$ 15.24	05/21/2010		M	4,167	⁽⁵⁾ 02/04/2015	Common Stock	4,167

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Munch Mark Robert VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC. TERMINAL DRIVE PLAINVIEW, NY 11803			EVP, M&I	

Signatures

Gregory A. Robbins,
Attorney-in-fact

05/25/2010

__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 sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person.
Reflects weighted average sale price. Actual sale prices ranged from \$37.94 to \$38.85 per share. The reporting person undertakes to 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.

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- Reflects weighted average sale price. Actual sale prices ranged from \$38.94 to \$39.77 per share. The reporting person undertakes to
- (3) 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.
- Reflects weighted average sale price. Actual sale prices ranged from \$40.04 to \$41.02 per share. The reporting person undertakes to
- (4) 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.
- (5) The option was granted on February 5, 2008 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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