#### DAMORE RICHARD A

Form 4 June 14, 2006

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading DAMORE RICHARD A Issuer Symbol VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC (Check all applicable) [VECO] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title \_ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC.,, 100 06/12/2006 SUNNYSIDE BOULEVARD, SUITE B (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

#### WOODBURY, NY 11797

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ction Date 2A. Deemed Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	06/12/2006		M	3,333	A	\$ 10.25	47,034	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	06/12/2006		S	3,333	D	\$ 22.57	43,701	D	

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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	and (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 10.25	06/12/2006		M		3,333	07/25/1996	07/24/2006	Common Stock	3,333

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DAMORE RICHARD A VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC., 100 SUNNYSIDE BOULEVARD, SUITE B WOODBURY, NY 11797



## **Signatures**

Gregory A. Robbins, Attorney-in-fact 06/14/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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