VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC Form 8-K May 17, 2013

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 13, 2013

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **0-16244** (Commission File Number) **11-2989601** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Terminal Drive, Plainview, New York 11803

(Address of principal executive offices)

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(516) 677-0200

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 3.01 Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

Veeco Instruments Inc. (Veeco or the Company) announced today that it received a letter from The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (NASDAQ) on May 13, 2013 notifying the Company that it is not in compliance with NASDAQ Listing Rule 5250(c)(1) because its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2013 (the Form 10-Q) was not filed on a timely basis with the Securities and Exchange Commission. NASDAQ Listing Rule 5250(c)(1) requires the Company to timely file all required periodic financial reports with the SEC.

As previously announced, the Form 10-Q, as well as the Company s annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 and quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2012, could not be filed timely because the Company is reviewing the timing of the recognition of revenue and related expenses on the sale of certain of its products. The accounting review was announced on November 15, 2012. The Company continues to conduct the review and intends to file its Forms 10-Q and 10-K as soon as reasonably practicable after these accounting matters have been resolved.

Veeco had previously announced that it had submitted to NASDAQ a plan to regain compliance with NASDAQ s requirements for continued listing and that NASDAQ had granted an extension, to May 20, 2013, for the Company to regain compliance with NASDAQ s requirements for continued listing.

The Company does not expect to regain compliance with NASDAQ s requirements for continued listing by May 20, 2013. As a result, the Company intends to request a hearing before the NASDAQ Listing Qualifications Panel to request additional time to regain compliance with NASDAQ s requirements for continued listing and to request that NASDAQ allow the Company s securities to remain listed on The NASDAQ Global Select Market until such time as the hearing process concludes and any resulting exception period expires.

A copy of the press release disclosing the Company s receipt of the NASDAQ notification letter is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1

Press release issued by Veeco dated May 17, 2013

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The information in this report, including the exhibit, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section, nor shall this information or these exhibits be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

March 17, 2013

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By: Name: Title: /s/ Gregory A. Robbins Gregory A. Robbins Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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