

VEECO INSTRUMENTS INC
Form SC 13G
November 21, 2013

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Veeco Instruments Inc.
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)

922417100
(CUSIP Number)

November 11, 2013
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

☐ Rule 13d-1(b)

x Rule 13d-1(c)

o Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Joho Capital, L.L.C.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (See Instructions)

(a) ☐(b) ☒

SEC USE ONLY

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware, United States

SOLE VOTING POWER

0

SHARED VOTING POWER

2,535,933

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,535,933

9
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,535,933

10

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

o

11

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

6.5%

12

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)

IA

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Joho Partners, L.P.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (See Instructions)

(a) ☐(b) ☒

SEC USE ONLY

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware, United States

SOLE VOTING POWER

0

SHARED VOTING POWER

2,467,605

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,467,605

9
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,467,605

10

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

o

11

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

6.3%

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TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)

PN

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Robert Karr

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (See Instructions)

(a) ☐(b) ☒

SEC USE ONLY

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States of America

SOLE VOTING POWER

0

SHARED VOTING POWER

2,535,933

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,535,933

9
AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,535,933

10

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (See Instructions)

o

11

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

6.5%

12

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (See Instructions)

IN

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Item 1. (a) Name of Issuer

Veeco Instruments Inc.

(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices

Terminal Drive

Plainview, New York 11803

Item 2.

(a) Name of Person Filing

Joho Capital L.L.C.

Joho Partners, L.P.

Robert Karr

(b) Address of Principal Business Office, or, if none, Residence

55 E. 59th Street

New York, NY 10022

United States

(c) Citizenship

Please refer to Item 4 on each cover sheet for each filing person

(d) Title of Class of Securities

Common Stock

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Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a) ☐ Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o);
- (b) ☐ Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (c) ☐ Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (d) ☐ Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
- (e) ☐ An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) ☐ An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) ☐ A parent holding company or control person in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) ☐ A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) ☐ A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) ☐ A non-U.S. institution in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);

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Item 4. Ownership

Please see Items 5 - 9 and 11 on each cover sheet for each Reporting Person

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

Not Applicable

Item 6. Ownership of More Than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not Applicable

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person

Not Applicable

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not Applicable

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not Applicable

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of

the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: November 21, 2013

Joho Capital L.L.C.

By: Timothy K. McManus

Name: Timothy K. McManus

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Joho Partners, L.P.

By: Timothy K. McManus

Name: Timothy K. McManus

Title: Chief Financial Officer

By: Robert Karr

Name: Robert Karr