

VECTOR GROUP LTD  
Form 4  
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**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 \*  
**LAMPEN RICHARD**  
  
(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
**C/O VECTOR GROUP LTD., 4400 BISCAYNE BLVD; 10TH FLOOR**  
  
(Street)  
  
**MIAMI, FL 33137**  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**VECTOR GROUP LTD [VGR]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/16/2014**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code V Amount (D) Price   |  |   |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)                           | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year)          | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable          | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|--|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 19.64                     | 05/16/2014 <sup>(1)</sup> | A          | 62,500   |      |   |     |     | 02/26/2018 <sup>(2)</sup> | 02/26/2024      | Common Stock | 62,500                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LAMPEN RICHARD<br>C/O VECTOR GROUP LTD.<br>4400 BISCAYNE BLVD; 10TH FLOOR<br>MIAMI, FL 33137 |               |           | EVP     |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Richard J Lampen                      05/16/2014  
 \*\*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).
- The option grant was approved by the Performance-Based Compensation Subcommittee of the Compensation Committee of Vector Group Ltd.'s Board of Directors on February 26, 2014, subject to stockholder approval of the Vector Group Ltd. 2014 Management Incentive Plan under which the option was granted. Vector Group Ltd.'s stockholders approved the Plan on May 16, 2014.
- (1) Group Ltd.'s Board of Directors on February 26, 2014, subject to stockholder approval of the Vector Group Ltd. 2014 Management Incentive Plan under which the option was granted. Vector Group Ltd.'s stockholders approved the Plan on May 16, 2014.
- (2) Subject to acceleration upon a "change of control" (as defined) or termination of employment due to death or disability.

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