FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  LORBER HOWARD M						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol VECTOR GROUP LTD [ VGR ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VECTOR GROUP LTD. 100 S.E. SECOND STREET; 32ND FLOOR						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/15/2011								X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President and CEO							
(Street) MIAMI (City)	MIAMI FL 33131				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(30			Non-Deriv	ativ	e Seci	uritie		nuire	ed F	isnosed o	of or F	Renefi	cia	IIv Owne	-d					
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye				n	2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transa Code (1 8)	ction	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Followin		of	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								Ì	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an	n(s) id 4)			(Instr.	4)	
Common Stock 09/1				09/15/20	09/15/2011				<b>F</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		64,071	D	\$19.0	)9	09 2,431,616		I	D			
Common Stock				09/15/2011					<b>J</b> (2)		110,250	D	\$ <mark>0</mark> (2	2)	2,321,	366	I	)			
Common Stock				09/15/2011					<b>J</b> (2)		110,250	A	<b>\$0</b> <sup>(2</sup>	2)	192,952		1	I		By: Lorber Alpha II Limited Partnership <sup>(4)</sup>	
Common Stock				09/15/2011					J <sup>(3)</sup>		110,250	D	<b>\$0</b> <sup>(3</sup>	3)	82,7	02	1	ı	Alph Limi		
Common Stock				09/15/2011					J <sup>(3)</sup>		110,250	A	<b>\$0</b> <sup>(3</sup>	3)	110,250		I		By: Lorber Gamma Limited Partnership <sup>(5)</sup>		
Common Stock													1,970,950		950	I		By: Lorber Epsilon 1999 Limited Partnership <sup>(6)</sup>			
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																					
1. Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  Instr. 3)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)			eemed ition Date,	med 4. on Date, Transa Code (		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Da	te Exe	ercisable and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	· V	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	cisabl	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	r							

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents a transfer of 64,071 shares from the reporting person to the issuer as payment of the reporting person's tax liability incident to the vesting of 110,250 shares of restricted stock which were awarded to the reporting person on April 7, 2009.
- 2. Represents a transfer from the reporting person to Lorber Alpha II Limited Partnership.
- 3. Represents a transfer from Lorber Alpha II Limited Partnership to Lorber Gamma Limited Partnership.
- 4. Lorber Alpha II, Inc., a Nevada corporation, is the general partner of Lorber Alpha II Limited Partnership, a Nevada limited partnership. The reporting person is a director, officer and controlling stockholder of Lorber Alpha II, Inc.
- 5. Lorber Gamma, Inc., a Nevada corporation, is the general partner of Lorber Gamma Limited Partnership, a Nevada limited partnership. The reporting person is a director, officer and controlling stockholder
- 6. Lorber Epsilon 1999 LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is the general partner of Lorber Epsilon 1999 Limited Partnership. Lorber Alpha II Limited Partnership, a Nevada limited partnership, is the sole member of, and the reporting person is the manager of, Lorber Epsilon 1999 LLC.

/s/ Howard M. Lorber

09/16/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

- $^{\star}$  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).

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