Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BELL MARC N					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VECTOR GROUP LTD [VGR]						(Che	eck all applic Directo	r		10% Ow	ner	
(Last) C/O VEO	(FI CTOR GRO	,	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/03/2009							below)	Officer (give title below) Vice President/Gen		Other (specify below)		
100 S.E. SECOND STREET; 32ND FLOOR				4.	If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
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Date				action 2A. Deen Executio Day/Year) if any (Month/D		Date	Code (Inst				5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s ally ollowing	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 Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)					
			Table II - Der (e.g					uired, Disp s, options,				Owned					
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. Transa Code (of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$14.07	12/03/2009		A		80,000		12/03/2013 ⁽¹⁾	12/03/2019	Common Stock	80,000	\$0	80,00	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Subject to acceleration upon a "change of control" (as defined) or termination of employment due to death or disability.

/s/Marc N. Bell

12/04/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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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