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* BELL MARC N							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VECTOR GROUP LTD [VGR]											of Reporting Pe icable) or r (give title		son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VECTOR GROUP LTD. 100 SE 2ND STREET							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/11/2004											Vice President/General Counsel				
(Street) MIAMI FL 33131						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) K Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)							ourit	ioo Ac		iirad l	Die	20004.0	ofici	ially Owned								
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transar Date (Month/Date					action	ar) i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. Transac Code (Ir 8)	tion	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			l (A) or	or 5. Amou 4 and Securiti Benefic Owned		nt of es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Code	v	Amount		A) or O)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)				
Common	Stock	1/2004	4				М		1,200)	A	\$3.92		1,200		D						
Common Stock 08/11/										S ⁽¹⁾		800		D	\$16		400		D			
Common	Stock	1/2004	2004				S ⁽¹⁾		400		D	\$16.02		0		D						
		T	able II -									sed of, onverti					wned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transactior Code (Instr. 8)		n of			Date Exe piration onth/Day	Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)			De Se (Ir	B. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Da Ex	te ercisable		xpiration ate	Title	1	Amoun or Numbe of Shares							
Employee stock option (right to	\$3.92	08/11/2004			M			1,200	01	1/01/1998	3 12	2/31/2006	Comn		1,200		\$3.92	11,293		D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 30, 2003.

/s/ Marc N. Bell

08/13/2004

** 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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