FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LEBOW BENNETT S</u>					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol VECTOR GROUP LTD [ VGR ]										Relationshi neck all app X Direc	•		. ,	o Issi % Ow		
(Last) 667 MAI 14TH FL	DISON AV	-	(Middl	e)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2017											Officer (give title below)			ner (s ow)	pecify
(Street) NEW YC	RK NY 10065		5	- 4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						n	
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							Co	ode	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 ar	on(s) ad 4)			(Instr.	. 4)	
Common Stock			03/21/20	17				S		100,00	0	D	\$20.37(1)		5,397,	753	I		By LeBow Gamma Limited Partnership <sup>(2)</sup>		
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Common	Stock															422,1	128	]	[ ]	By L Alph LLL	
Common Stock														175,5	598	1	I	Epsi Limi	LeBow lon 2001 ited nership <sup>(4)</sup>		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		Exec if an	3A. Deemed A Execution Date,		action (Instr.	5. Num of Deriva Securi Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr.: and 5)	iber tive ties ed	6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/Da		xercisable and		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price o Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Numl derivati Securiti Benefic Owned Followi Reporte Transac (Instr. 4	ve ies ially ng ed ction(s)	10. Ownersl Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	nip c E ) ( ct (	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$20.28 to \$20.65, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 8, 2016.
- 2. LeBow Gamma Limited Partnership is a Delaware limited partnership. LeBow 2011 Management Trust is the managing member of LeBow Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, which is the sole stockholder of LeBow Gamma, Inc., a Nevada corporation, which is the general partner of LeBow Gamma Limited Partnership. Mr. LeBow is trustee of LeBow 2011 Management Trust and a director and officer of LeBow Gamma, Inc. Mr. LeBow disclaims beneficial ownership for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 of the Issuer's common stock held by LeBow Gamma Limited Partnership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- 3. LeBow Alpha LLLP is a Delaware limited liability limited partnership. LeBow Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is the general partner of LeBow Alpha LLLP. LeBow 2011 Management Trust is the managing member of LeBow Holdings LLC. Mr. LeBow is trustee of LeBow 2011 Management Trust. Mr. LeBow disclaims beneficial ownership for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 of the Issuer's common stock held by LeBow Alpha LLLP except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- 4. LeBow Epsilon 2001 Limited Partnership is a Delaware limited partnership. LeBow Epsilon 2001 LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is the general partner of LeBow Epsilon 2001 Limited Partnership. LeBow 2011 Management Trust is the managing member of LeBow Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, which is the general partner of LeBow Alpha LLLP, a Delaware limited liability limited partnership, which is the controlling member of LeBow Epsilon 2001 LLC. Mr. LeBow is trustee of LeBow 2011 Management Trust and a manager of LeBow Epsilon 2001 LLC. Mr. LeBow disclaims beneficial ownership for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 of the Issuer's common stock held by LeBow Epsilon 2001 Limited Partnership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 8, 2016. Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney (previously filed as Exhibit 24 to Form 4 dated September 16, 2014, which is dated September 17, 2014.)

> /s/ J. Bryant Kirkland III, Attorney-in-fact

03/21/2017

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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