#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

### **SCHEDULE 13G**

(Rule 13d-102)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1(b), (c) AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2

(Amendment No. 3)\*

## **VECTOR GROUP LTD.**

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.1 per share (Title of Class of Securities)

> 92240M-10-8 (CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2008

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

o Rule 13d-1(b)

☑ Rule 13d-1(c)

o Rule 13d-1(d)

\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS. Jefferies Group, Inc.		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) (a) o (b) o		

**3** SEC USE ONLY

# 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware 5 SOLE VOTING POWER 2 2770 00 4

		-	SOLE VOTING POWER			
NUMBER OF		5	3,278,984			
SHARES		C	SHARED VOTING POWER			
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY		6	344,627			
EACH		7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER			
REPORTING PERSON		7	3,278,984			
WITH:		0	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER			
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9	3,623,611					
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10	0					
	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)					
11	5.5%					
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1	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)								
	Jefferies & Company, Inc.								
-	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)								
2	(a) o (b) o								
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	344,627								
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**SIGNATURE** 

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#### Item 1

(a) Name of Issuer

Vector Group Ltd

(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices

100 S.E. Second Street Miami, Florida 33131

#### Item 2

(a) Name of Person Filing

Jefferies Group, Inc. Jefferies & Company, Inc.

(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence

520 Madison Ave., 12th Floor New York, New York 10022

(c) Citizenship

Delaware

(d) Title of Class of Securities

Common Stock, par value \$0.1 per share

(e) CUSIP Number

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#### Item 3 If This Statement is Filed Pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a) o Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780);
- (b) o Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (c) o Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (d) o Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
- (e) o An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);

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- (f) o An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) o A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(ii)(G);
- (h) o A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) o A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) o A non-U.S. institution in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
- (k) o Group, in accordance with Rule13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).

If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify the type of institution:

#### **Item 4 Ownership**

The following sets forth beneficial ownership information:

- (a) Amount beneficially owned:
- (b) Percent of class:
- (c) Number of shares as to which the person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote:
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of:
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of:

Please refer to the information set forth on the cover pages to find the information responsive to this Item 4.

Jefferies Group, Inc. is the parent company of Jefferies & Company, Inc. Jefferies Group, Inc. disclaims beneficial ownership over shares held by Jefferies & Company, Inc.

#### Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

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Not applicable

#### Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not applicable

#### Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company

Not applicable

#### Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not applicable

#### **Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group**

Not applicable

#### **Item 10 Certification**

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

#### SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated February 6, 2009

Jefferies Group, Inc.

/s/ Roland T. Kelly Roland T. Kelly Assistant Secretary

Dated: February 6, 2009

Jefferies & Company, Inc.

/s/ Roland T. Kelly

Roland T. Kelly Managing and Director and Associate General Counsel

Jefferies & Company, Inc. and Jefferies Group, Inc. have agreed to jointly file this Schedule.