FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP | OMB Number: | 3235-028 | | | |

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Ballard James D | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VECTOR GROUP LTD [VGR] | | | | | | | | | Check | ationship of Reporting Pe k all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) See Reman | | ng Person(s) to Is 10% O Other (s | | wner |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VECTOR GROUP LTD. | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2023 | | | | | | | | | X | below) | | | Speciny | | |
| 4400 BISCAYNE BLVD; 10TH FLOOR (Street) | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
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| (City) | (Sta | ate) (Z | Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Table | I - No | on-Deriva | tive S | Secur | rities | Acc | quirec | l, Dis | sposed of | , or B | enefic | ially | Own | ed | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/N | | | | | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquir Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 1) | | | Acquire (D) (Ins | ed (A) or str. 3, 4 aı | nd 5) | Beneficially Owned Following | | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an | | ction(s) | | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock 02/24/20 | | | | |)23 | | | F | | 6,024 | D | \$13.4 | S13.47 ⁽¹⁾ | | 72,252 | | D | | |
| | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execu | eemed ition Date, h/Day/Year) | | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4) | | Der Sec (Ins | rice of ivative urity tr. 5) | tive derivative ty Securities | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exerc | isable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents withholdings of shares as payment of the reporting person's tax liabilities incident to the vesting of 13,750 shares of restricted stock, which were awarded to reporting person on February 24, 2021 (6,250) and March 1, 2022 (7,500). The shares withheld were valued at \$13.47 per share, which represented the average of the low (\$13.19) and high (\$13.75) stock prices of the Issuer's Common Stock on February 24, 2023, the date of vesting.

SVP - Enterprise Efficiency and CTO Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney (previously filed as Exhibit 24 to Form 3 dated July 10, 2020, which was filed on July 14, 2020.)

/s/ J. Bryant Kirkland III, 02/27/2023 Attorney in Fact

** 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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