

VECTOR GROUP LTD  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LORBER HOWARD M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
VECTOR GROUP LTD [VGR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O VECTOR GROUP LTD., 100  
S.E. SECOND STREET; 32ND  
FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/28/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President and CEO

(Street)  
MIAMI, FL 33131

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	12/28/2012		G		290,000	D	\$ 0
Common Stock					1,439,988	D	
Common Stock					237,312	I	
Common Stock					2,225,087 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	

By: Lorber  
Gamma  
Limited  
Partnership  
(2)  
By: Lorber  
Alpha II  
Limited  
Partnership

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Table with 10 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivatives Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D), 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reporting Transaction.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Entry for LORBER HOWARD M, C/O VECTOR GROUP LTD., 100 S.E. SECOND STREET; 32ND FLOOR, MIAMI, FL 33131, with relationship as President and CEO.

Signatures

/s/ Howard M. Lorber 12/31/2012
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
(1) Includes 2,172,969 shares previously held by Lorber Epsilon 1999 Limited Partnership.
(2) Lorber Gamma, Inc., a Nevada corporation, is the general partner of Lorber Gamma Limited Partnership, a Nevada limited partnership. The reporting person is a director, officer and controlling stockholder of Lorber Gamma, Inc.
(3)

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Lorber Alpha II, Inc., a Nevada corporation, is the general partner of Lorber Alpha II Limited Partnership, a Nevada limited partnership. The reporting person is a director, officer and controlling stockholder of Lorber Alpha II, Inc.

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