

BERNSTEIN RONALD J
Form 4
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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 *
BERNSTEIN RONALD J

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 LIGGETT VECTOR BRANDS
LLC, 3800 PARAMOUNT
PARKWAY

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/15/2019

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

(Street)
MORRISVILLE, NC 27560

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/15/2019		A		35,095	A	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ 94,273
Common Stock	03/15/2019		F ⁽²⁾		15,577	D	\$ 11.18 ₍₂₎ 78,696

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address and Relationships. Relationships sub-columns: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Entry: BERNSTEIN RONALD J, C/O LIGGETT VECTOR BRANDS LLC, 3800 PARAMOUNT PARKWAY, MORRISVILLE, NC 27560. Relationship: X (Director), President Subsidiary (Officer).

Signatures

/s/ J. Bryant Kirkland III, Attorney-In-Fact, Date: 03/15/2019

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) The Reporting Person received a restricted stock grant on October 28, 2013 (the "Award") pursuant to VGR's Amended and Restated 1999 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The Award vested on March 15, 2019, based upon the Issuer's tobacco segment achieving certain performance targets and the Reporting Person being continuously employed by a subsidiary of the Issuer.
(2) Represents the average of the high (\$11.07) and low (\$11.28) stock prices of the Issuer's Common Stock on March 15, 2019, the date of vesting.

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney (previously filed as Exhibit 24 to Form 4 dated March 6, 2015.)
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