VECTOR GROUP LTD

Form 4

January 19, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Check this box if no longer STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to **SECURITIES** Section 16.

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction 1(b).

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may continue.

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FROST PHILLIP MD ET AL

(First) (Middle)

(Zin)

4400 BISCAYNE **BOULEVARD, SUITE 1500**

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VECTOR GROUP LTD [VGR]

(Month/Day/Year) 01/14/2010

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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_X__ 10% Owner Director _ Other (specify Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

MIAMI, FL 33137

(City)

(City)	(State) (Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative So	ecuriti	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficia	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onor Dispose (Instr. 3, 4)	d of (I	O)	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)
Common Stock	01/14/2010		X	39,375 (1)	A	\$ 16.67 (1)	5,027,104	I	By Frost Gamma Investments Trust (2)
Common Stock	01/15/2010		X	139,125 (1)	A	\$ 16.67	5,166,229	I	By Frost Gamma Investments Trust (2)
Common Stock	01/15/2010		X	78,750 (1)	A	\$ 14.29 (1)	5,244,979	I	By Frost Gamma Investments Trust (2)

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Commmon Stock	01/15/2010	X	42,460 (1)	A	\$ 18.18 (1)	5,287,439	I	Gamma Investments Trust (2)
Common Stock						10,500	I	By Patricia Frost (3)

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

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number ciomof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Put (obligation to buy)	\$ 16.67 (1)	01/14/2010		X		375	03/06/2009	01/16/2010	Common Stock	39,375 (1)
Put (obligation to buy)	\$ 16.67 (1)	01/15/2010		X		1,325	03/06/2009	01/16/2010	Common Stock	139,12: (1)
Put (obligation to buy)	\$ 14.29 (1)	01/15/2010		X		750	02/24/2009	01/16/2010	Common Stock	78,750 (1)
Put (oblgation to buy)	\$ 18.18 (<u>4)</u>	01/15/2010		X		386	02/24/2009	01/16/2010	Common Stock	42,460 (4)
Put (obligation to buy)	\$ 11.9 <u>(1)</u>	01/16/2010		E		750	01/16/2010	01/16/2010	Common Stock	78,750 (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting 6 wher runne / runness	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FROST PHILLIP MD ET AL 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD SUITE 1500 MIAMI, FL 33137		X				
Frost Gamma Investments Trust 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD SUITE 1500 MIAMI, FL 33137		X				
Frost Nevada Investments Trust 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD SUITE 1500 MIAMI, FL 33137		X				

Signatures

/s/ Phillip Frost, MD	01/19/2010
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Frost Gamma Investments Trust by: /s/ Phillip Frost, MD, Trustee	01/19/2010
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Frost Nevada Investments Trust by: /s/ Phillip Frost, MD, Trustee	01/19/2010
**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) All share and price information has been adjusted to reflect the 5% stock dividend paid by the Issuer on September 29, 2009.
 - These securities are held by Frost Gamma Investments Trust, of which Phillip Frost M.D., is the trustee. Frost Gamma L.P. is the sole and exclusive beneficiary of Frost Gamma Investments Trust. Dr. Frost is one of two limited partners of Frost Gamma L.P. The general
- (2) partner of Frost Gamma L.P. is Frost Gamma, Inc., and the sole shareholder of Frost Gamma, Inc. is Frost-Nevada Corporation. Dr. Frost is also the sole shareholder of Frost-Nevada Corporation. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of any pecuniary interest therein and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (3) These securities are held by Patricia Frost, Dr. Frost's spouse. Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4), the Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (4) All share and price information has been adjusted to reflect the 5% stock dividends paid by the Issuer on September 29, 2008 and September 29, 2009.
- (5) Reflects cash in lieu payment of \$0.25 per contract received due to 5% stock dividend paid by Issuer on September 29, 2008.

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