WATKINS BARRY

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

WATKINS BARRY

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/09/2018

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VECTOR GROUP LTD [VGR]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O VECTOR GROUP LTD., Â 4400 BISCAYNE BLVD, FLOOR 10

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

X Director Officer (give title below) (specify below)

10% Owner Other

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

X Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

MIAMI, FLÂ 33137

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

(I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

Date

owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security**

Conversion or Exercise Price of

4

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Expiration Title Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of

Derivative Security: Security Direct (D)

Shares

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WATKINS BARRY C/O VECTOR GROUP LTD. 4400 BISCAYNE BLVD, FLOOR 10 MIAMI, FLÂ 33137

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Signatures

J. Bryant Kirkland III, Attorney-In-Fact

03/14/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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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Remarks:

Exhibit List Exhibit 24 - Limited Power of Attorney.

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