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#### **VECTOR GROUP LTD**

Form 8-K

December 18, 2013

**UNITED STATES** 

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 13, 2013

VECTOR GROUP LTD.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**DELAWARE** 

(State or Other Jurisdiction of

Incorporation)

1-5759 65-0949535

(Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

4400 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida 33137 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(305) 579-8000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area

Code)

(Not Applicable)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last

Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On December 16, 2013, Vector Group Ltd. announced its wholly-owned New Valley LLC subsidiary had acquired on December 13, 2013 an additional 20.59% interest in Douglas Elliman Realty, LLC from Prudential Real Estate Financial Services of America, Inc. for a purchase price of \$60 million in cash. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.1 included in this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 8.01. Other Events

On December 16, 2013, Vector Group Ltd. announced its wholly-owned New Valley LLC subsidiary had acquired on December 13, 2013 an additional 20.59% interest in Douglas Elliman Realty, LLC from Prudential Real Estate Financial Services of America, Inc. for a purchase price of \$60 million in cash. Douglas Elliman Realty, LLC operates the largest residential brokerage company in the New York City metropolitan area. The acquisition increases Vector Group's ownership position in Douglas Elliman from 50% to 70.59%.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibit

(c) Exhibit.

Exhibit No. Exhibit

99.1 Press release dated December 16, 2013

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## **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

VECTOR GROUP LTD.

By: /s/ J. Bryant Kirkland III
J. Bryant Kirkland III
Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Date: December 18, 2013