## FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of equity securities of the issuer that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\*

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

| Westphal Jeffrey   |   |   |              |                              | -   -  | Verte  | <u>ex,</u>                              | Inc. [ VER  | <b>X</b> ]   | ug                  |                    | (Check all applicable)  Director                             |                                |                     |  |                              |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|--------------|------------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|---------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------------|---------------------|--|------------------------------|---|---|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX, INC. 2301 RENAISSANCE BLVD |   |   |              |                              | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  11/11/2024 |  |   |   |  |                     |                    |  |                                |                     |  |                              |   |   |   |
| (Street) KING OF PRUSSIA PA 19406                              |   |   |              |                              | -  -   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |   |   |  |                     |                    |  |                                |                     | Form file  | d by On                      | up Filing (Check Applic<br>ne Reporting Person<br>ore than One Reportin     |   | on  |
| (City)   | (:  | State)                                  | (Zip)        |                              |  |  |   |   |  |                     |                    |  |                                |                     |  |                              |   |   |   |
|  |   |   | Table I - No |                              |  |  |   |   | 1  | l, Di               | <u> </u>           |  |                                | ally (              |  |                              | 1   | 1   |   |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)                                |   | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Ye |              |                              | Execution Date,  |  | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an |                     |                    | r 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follor Reported |                                | Form: I<br>(D) or I |  | Direct<br>ndirect            | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)           |   |   |
|  |   |   |              |                              |  |  |   |   | Code   | v                   | Amount             | (A) or<br>(D)  | Pric                           | е                   | Transaction<br>(Instr. 3 and   |                              |   |   | (   |
| Class A Common Stock   |   |   | 11/1         | 1/20                         | /2024  |  |   | С   |  | 2,485,00            | 00 A               | \$   | <b>S</b> 0                     | 2,485,000           |  | I                            |   | By The<br>2009<br>Jeffrey R.<br>Westphal<br>Generation<br>Skipping<br>Trust |   |
| Class A Common Stock   |   |   | 11/11/2024   |                              |  |  | S                                       |   | 2,485,00   | 00 D                | \$4                | \$8.9  | 0                              |                     | I  |                              | By The<br>2009<br>Jeffrey R.<br>Westphal<br>Generation<br>Skipping<br>Trust |   |   |
| Class A (  | Common St   | ock                                     |              |                              |  |  |   |   |  |                     |                    |  | $\top$                         |                     | 7,89   | 5                            | ]   | D   |   |
|  |   |   | Table II     |                              |  |  |   | rities Acqu                                       |  |                     |                    |  |                                |                     | wned   |                              |   |   |   |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)            | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security |   |              | te, Transaction Code (Instr. |  | 5. Number of Derivative                                  |   | 6. Date Exerci<br>Expiration Dat<br>(Month/Day/Ye |  | ate Securities Unde |                    | nd Amou<br>s Underl<br>e Securi                              | ount of 8. Price of Derivative |                     | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported |                              | 10.<br>Owners<br>Form:<br>Direct (I<br>or Indire<br>(I) (Instr.             | Beneficia<br>Ownershi<br>ct (Instr. 4)                                      |   |
|  |   |   |              | Co                           | de   | v  | (A)                                     | (D)   | Date<br>Exercis  | sable               | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amou<br>Numb<br>Share          | er of               |  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) |   |   |   |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock                                     | (1)   | 11/11/2024                              |              | (                            | 2  |  |   | 2,485,000 <sup>(1)</sup>                          | (1)  | 1                   | (1)                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock                                   | 2,485                          | 5,000               | \$0  | 3,21                         | 4,927   | I   | By The<br>2009<br>Jeffrey R.<br>Westphal<br>Generation<br>Skipping<br>Trust               |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock                                     | (1)   |   |              |                              |  |  |   |   | (1)  | )                   | (1)                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock                                   | 838                            | ,000                |  | 838                          | 3,000   | D   |   |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock                                     | (1)   |   |              |                              |  |  |   |   | (1)  |                     | (1)                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock                                   | 1,153                          | 3,756               |  | 1,15                         | 53,756 I  |   | By Rainer<br>J. Westpha<br>2007<br>Separate<br>Exempt<br>Trust FBC<br>Jeffrey<br>Westphal |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock                                     | (1)   |   |              |                              |  |  |   |   | (1)  |                     | (1)                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock                                   | 332                            | ,244                |  | 332                          | 2,244   | I   | By Rainer<br>J. Westph:<br>2007<br>Separate<br>Exempt<br>Trust FBC<br>Jeffrey<br>Westphal |

## Explanation of Responses:

convert into shares of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock on a one-to-one basis either (1) upon any transfer of the Class B Common Stock by the holder, whether or not for value, subject to certain exceptions or (2) if the voting power of the Issuer's outstanding Class B Common Stock represents less than 10% of the combined voting power of all of the Issuer's outstanding common stock.

/s/ Anton Pamer, Attorney-in-

**Fact** 

11/13/2024

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- \* 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).

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