

22nd Century Group, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
December 10, 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 9, 2013**

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**22nd Century Group, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Nevada**

**000-54111**

**98-0468420**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**9530 Main Street  
Clarence, New York**

**14031**  
(Zip Code)

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(716) 270-1523**

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

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On December 9, 2013, the Board of Directors of 22nd Century Group, Inc. (the “Company”) appointed Richard M. Sanders as a director of the Company to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors of the Company. As a non-employee director, Mr. Sanders will receive the same compensation to be paid to all non-employee directors of the Company. There are no arrangements between Mr. Sanders and any other person pursuant to which he was elected to serve as a director of the Company, nor are there any transactions in which the Company is a participant in which Mr. Sanders has a material interest.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On December 10, 2013, the Company issued a press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Sanders as a director. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 herewith.

**Item 9.01(d). Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated December 10, 2013.

**SIGNATURES**

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

**22nd Century Group, Inc.**

/s/ Joseph Pandolfino

Date: December 10, 2013 Joseph Pandolfino  
Chief Executive Officer