22nd Century Group, Inc.

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement 22nd Century Group, Inc. [XXII] **RUSHTON PAUL** (Month/Day/Year) 10/07/2015 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O 22ND CENTURY GROUP, (Check all applicable) INC., 9530 MAIN STREET (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting VP of Plant Biotechnology Person CLARENCE, NYÂ 14031 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 0 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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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 (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Derivative	Security:	
			Security	Direct (D)	

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Date	Expiration	Amount or	or Indirect
Exercisable	Date	Number of	(I)
		Shares	(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
reporting of the runner, reduces	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
RUSHTON PAUL C/O 22ND CENTURY GROUP, INC. 9530 MAIN STREET CLARENCE. NY 14031	Â	Â	VP of Plant Biotechnology	Â	

Signatures

John J. Wolfel, Attorney-in-Fact for Paul Rushton 10/09/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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