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Form SC 13G  
May 31, 2005

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. )\*

21st CENTURY HOLDING COMPANY  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock  
(Title of Class of Securities)

90136Q100  
(CUSIP Number)

May 25, 2005  
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant  
to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)  
 Rule 13d-1(c)  
 Rule 13d-1(d)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP No. 90136Q100

1. Names of Reporting Persons.  
I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons  
(entities only).

LEON G. COOPERMAN

2. Check Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group

- (a)   
(b)

3. SEC Use Only

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4. Citizenship or Place of Organization:

UNITED STATES

|              |                             |  |
|--------------|-----------------------------|--|
|              | 5. Sole Voting Power        |  |
| Number of    | 389,000                     |  |
| Shares Bene- | 6. Shared Voting Power      |  |
| ficially     | 0                           |  |
| Owned by     | 7. Sole Dispositive Power   |  |
| Each Report- | 389,000                     |  |
| ing Person   | 8. Shared Dispositive Power |  |
| With:        | 0                           |  |

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person: 389,000

10. Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares [  ]

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9): 7.0%

12. Type of Reporting Person

IN

Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:

21st Century Holding Company (the "Issuer").

Item 1(b) Address of the Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

3661 W. Oakland Park Blvd.  
Suite 300  
Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33313

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing:

This statement is filed on behalf of Leon G. Cooperman ("Mr. Cooperman").

Mr. Cooperman is the Managing Member of Omega Associates, L.L.C. ("Associates"), a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Associates is a private investment firm formed to invest in and act as general partner of investment partnerships or similar investment vehicles. Associates is the general partner of limited partnerships organized under the laws of Delaware known as Omega Capital Investors, L.P. ("Investors LP") and Omega Equity Investors, L.P. ("Equity LP"). These entities are private investment firms engaged in the purchase and sale of securities for investment for their own accounts.

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Mr. Cooperman is the ultimate controlling person of Associates, Investors LP, and Equity LP.

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

The address of the principal business office of each of Mr. Cooperman, Investors LP, and Equity LP is 88 Pine Street, Wall Street Plaza - 31st Floor, New York, New York 10005.

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

Mr. Cooperman is a United States citizen.

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock (the "Shares")

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number: 90136Q100

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Sections 240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c):

This Item 3 is not applicable.

Item 4. Ownership:

Item 4(a) (b) Amount Beneficially Owned and Percent of Class:

Mr. Cooperman may be deemed the beneficial owner of 389,000 Shares which constitutes approximately 7.0% of the total number of Shares outstanding. This is based on the Company's Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2004 which reflected 5,558,347 Shares outstanding as of June 30, 2004.

This consists of 50,000 Shares owned Investors LP and 339,000 Shares owned by Equity LP.

Item 4(c) Number of Shares as to which such person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

389,000

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

0

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

389,000

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

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Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

This Item 5 is not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

This Item 6 is not applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company:

This Item 7 is not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

This Item 8 is not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

This Item 9 is not applicable.

Item 10. Certification:

By signing below the undersigned certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the Issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

DATED: May 31, 2005

LEON G. COOPERMAN, individually,  
as Managing Member of Omega  
Associates, L.L.C. on behalf of  
Omega Capital Investors, L.P. and  
Omega Equity Investors, L.P.

By /s/ ALAN M. STARK  
Alan M. Stark  
Attorney-in-Fact  
Power of Attorney on file

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