



Harbinger Group Inc.'s Consumer Products Segment, Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc., Plans to Report Fiscal 2012 First Quarter Financial Results and Hold Conference Call and Webcast on February 3

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NEW YORK, Jan. 17, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Harbinger Group Inc. ("HGI"; NYSE: HRG) today announced that its majority-owned operating subsidiary, Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc. ("Spectrum Brands"; NYSE: SPB), will issue its fiscal 2012 first-quarter financial results before the markets open on Friday, February 3, 2012. Spectrum Brands will also conduct a live conference call and webcast at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time on February 3, 2012.

In line with its strategy to generate stockholder value, HGI acquired a majority interest in global consumer products company Spectrum Brands on January 7, 2011. Spectrum Brands operates as a publicly traded subsidiary of HGI with its common stock traded on the New York Stock Exchange. Spectrum Brands' fiscal 2012 first quarter results will be reflected in HGI's results for the quarter ending December 31, 2011.

For the full text of today's Spectrum Brands announcement and details for accessing their conference call and webcast, please visit Spectrum Brands' investor relations website at: <http://phx.corporate-ir.net/phoenix.zhtml?c=75225&p=irol-news>.

About Harbinger Group Inc.

Harbinger Group Inc. is a diversified holding company. The Company's principal operations are conducted through subsidiaries that offer life insurance and annuity products, and branded consumer products such as batteries, pet supplies, home and garden control products, personal care and small appliances. The Company primarily focuses on opportunities in these sectors as well as financial products, telecommunications, agriculture, power generation and water and natural resources. The Company makes certain reports available free of charge on its website at www.harbingergroupinc.com as soon as reasonably practicable after each such report is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the Securities and Exchange Commission.

About Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc.

Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc., a member of the Russell 2000 Index, is a global and diversified consumer products company and a leading supplier of batteries, shaving and grooming products, personal care products, small household appliances, specialty pet supplies, lawn & garden and home pest control products, personal insect repellents and portable lighting. Helping to meet the needs of consumers worldwide, the Company offers a broad portfolio of market-leading, well-known and widely trusted brands including Rayovac®, Remington®, Varta®, George Foreman®, Black & Decker®, Toastmaster®, Farberware®, Tetra®, Marineland®, Nature's Miracle®, Dingo®, 8-in-1®, Littermaid®, Spectracide®, Cutter®, Repel®, and Hot Shot®. Spectrum Brands Holdings' products are sold by the world's top 25 retailers and are available in more than one million stores in approximately 130 countries around the world. Spectrum Brands Holdings generated net sales of approximately \$3.2 billion in fiscal 2011. For more information, visit www.spectrumbrands.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

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