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FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Ferson | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HARBINGER GROUP INC. [HRG] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
|--|---------|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| <u>Maura David M</u> | | [] | X Director 10% Owner | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O HARBINGER GROUP INC. 450 PARK AVENUE, 27TH FLOOR | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/29/2012 | Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) | | | | |
| | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK NY | 10022 | - | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) (State |) (Zip) | | | | | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | if any ' | | | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--|----------|------|---|---------|---------------|--------|---|---|---|--|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (11511. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 11/29/2012 | | A | | 944,184 | Α | \$0 | 1,194,184 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 11/29/2012 | | F | | 54,833 | D | \$8.52 | 1,139,351 | D | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction | 3A. Deemed | 4. | | 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable | | | | 7. Title and Amount | | | 9. Number of derivative | | 11. Nature |
|--|---|--------------------------|---|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transa Code (8) | | | | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$8.52 | 11/29/2012 | | A | | 435,920 | | (1) | 11/29/2022 | Common Stock | 435,920 | \$0 | 435,920 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The options with respect to 56,854 shares vested on the grant date, with respect to 56,854 on November 29, 2013, with respect to 161,106 shares on November 29, 2014 and 161,106 shares on November 29, 2015.

/s/ David M. Maura

12/03/2012

** 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).

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