

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

**SCHEDULE 13D**  
**(Amendment No. 6 )\***

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY PARTNERS INC.**

(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK (NO PAR VALUE)

(Title of Class of Securities)

656844107

(CUSIP Number)

Philip A. Falcone  
Chief Executive Officer  
450 Park Avenue, 27th Floor  
New York, New York 10022  
(212) 906-8555

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to  
Receive Notices and Communications)

September 28, 2011

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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The information required on 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).

1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  Harbinger Group Inc.		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP		(a) <input type="radio"/> (b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	SEC USE ONLY		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS  WC		
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)		<input type="radio"/>
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  Delaware		
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER  0	
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER  6,773,210	
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  0	
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  6,773,210	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  6,773,210		
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES		<input type="radio"/>
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)  18.7%		
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  CO		

1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  Philip Falcone		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP		(a) <input type="radio"/> (b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	SEC USE ONLY		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS  AF		
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)		<input type="radio"/>
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  United States of America		
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER  0	
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER  6,773,210	
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  0	
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14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  IN		

**Item 1. Security and Issuer.**

This Amendment No. 6 to Schedule 13D is being filed by the undersigned to amend the Schedule 13D filed by the Reporting Persons on June 27, 2011, as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on July 22, 2011, Amendment No. 2 filed on August 8, 2011, Amendment No. 3 filed on August 18, 2011, Amendment No. 4 filed on August 31, 2011 and Amendment No. 5 filed on September 21, 2011 (as amended, the “Schedule 13D”) with respect to the shares of Common Stock, no par value per share (the “Shares”), of North American Energy Partners Inc., a Canadian corporation (the “Issuer”). The principal executive offices of the Issuer are located at Zone 3 Acheson Industrial Area, 2-53016 Highway 60, Acheson, Alberta, Canada T7X-5A7.

**Item 2. Identity and Background.**

No material change.

**Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.**

Item 3 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

“The funds used for the purchase of the Shares were derived from general working capital, which may have included margin account borrowings made in the ordinary course of business. In such instances, the positions held in the margin accounts are pledged as collateral security for the repayment of debit balances in the account, which may exist from time to time. Because other securities are held in the margin accounts, it is not possible to determine the amounts, if any, of margin used to purchase the Shares reported herein. A total of approximately \$3,368,185 was paid to acquire the aggregate of 566,900 Shares acquired by the Reporting Persons since the filing of the last report.”

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**Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.**

No material change.

**Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.**

Paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of Item 5 of the Schedule 13D are hereby amended and restated in their entirety as follows:

“References to percentage ownerships of Shares in this Schedule 13D are based upon the 36,249,086 Shares stated to be outstanding as of August 22, 2011 by the Issuer in its Notice of Annual Meeting and Management Information Circular filed on Report of Foreign Private Issuer on Form 6-K with the SEC on August 22, 2011. The Shares reported in this Schedule 13D are held in the name of HGI Funding. Other than any beneficial ownership which may be deemed to exist as a result of the relationships among the Harbinger Persons discussed herein (which beneficial ownership is disclaimed), the Instruction C Persons do not beneficially own any Shares.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, HGI may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 6,773,210 Shares, constituting 18.7% of the outstanding Shares.

HGI has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 6,773,210 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 6,773,210 Shares.

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(a, b) As of the date hereof, Philip Falcone may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 6,773,210 Shares, constituting 18.7% of the outstanding Shares.

Mr. Falcone has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 6,773,210 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 6,773,210 Shares.

(c) The trading dates, number of Shares purchased and price per Share for all transactions in the Shares that were effected by the Reporting Persons since the date of the filing of the last report are set forth in Exhibit Q hereto.”

**Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.**

No material change.

**Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.**

Exhibit O: Transactions in the Shares

Exhibit P: Joint Filing Agreement

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**SIGNATURE**

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

**HARBINGER GROUP INC.**

By: /s/ Philip A. Falcone  
Name: Philip A. Falcone  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Philip A. Falcone  
Philip A. Falcone

September 30, 2011

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute federal violations (see 18 U.S.C. 1001).

**Transactions in the Shares**

<b>Transaction Date</b>	<b>Quantity Acquired</b>	<b>Price (USD)</b>
September 23, 2011	13,000	5.22
September 23, 2011	42,700	5.24
September 26, 2011	23,900	5.51
September 26, 2011	60,900	5.52
September 27, 2011	50,000	6.16
September 27, 2011	120,000	6.18
September 28, 2011	38,000	6.01
September 28, 2011	135,000	6.03
September 29, 2011	26,000	6.07
September 29, 2011	57,400	6.14

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**JOINT FILING AGREEMENT**

The undersigned agree that this Amendment to Schedule 13D relating to the shares of Common Stock (no par value per share) of North American Energy Partners Inc., a Canadian corporation, shall be filed on behalf of the undersigned.

**HARBINGER GROUP INC.**

By: /s/ Philip A. Falcone

Name: Philip A. Falcone

Title: Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Philip A. Falcone

Philip A. Falcone

September 30, 2011

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