#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

#### **SCHEDULE 13D** (Rule 13d-101)

# INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(a)

## (Amendment No. 16)

#### HARBINGER GROUP INC. (Name of Issuer)

#### **COMMON STOCK (PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE)** (Title of Class of Securities)

41146A106 (CUSIP Number)

## PHILIP FALCONE **450 PARK AVENUE, 30TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10022** (212) 339-5888 (Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

August 14, 2013 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of This Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(e), 13d-1(f) or 13d-1(g), check the following box o

Note: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See Rule 13d-7 for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

\* 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 disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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 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).

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#### Item 1. Security and Issuer.

This Amendment No. 16 to Schedule 13D ("Amendment No. 16") is being filed by the undersigned to amend the Schedule 13D filed by the Reporting Persons on June 19, 2009, as amended by Amendment No. 1, filed on July 13, 2009, Amendment No. 2, filed on November 4, 2009, Amendment No. 3, filed on August 17, 2010, Amendment No. 4, filed on September 15, 2010, Amendment No. 5, filed on January 12, 2011, Amendment No. 6, filed on March 10, 2011, Amendment No. 7, filed on May 16, 2011, Amendment No. 8, filed on May 23, 2011, Amendment No. 9, filed on February 1, 2012, Amendment No. 10, filed on March 14, 2012, Amendment No. 11, filed on June 18, 2012, Amendment No. 12, filed on December 14, 2013, Amendment No. 13 filed on December 19, 2012, Amendment No. 14 filed on January 16, 2013, and Amendment No. 15 filed on June 3, 2013 (as amended, the "Schedule 13D"), with respect to the Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Shares"), of Harbinger Group Inc. (the "Issuer"), whose principal executive offices are located at 450 Park Avenue, 30th Floor, New York, New York 10022.

## Item 2. Identity and Background.

No material change.

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

No material change.

#### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

No material change.

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

Paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of Item 5 are amended and restated in their entirety with the following:

"References to the percentage ownership of Shares in this Schedule 13D is based on the 144,028,151 Shares outstanding as of August 5, 2013 by the Issuer in the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 9, 2013 and does not give effect to the conversion of the Company's outstanding shares of Series A Participating Preferred Stock (the "Series A Shares") and Series A-2 Participating Preferred Stock (the "Series A-2 Shares," and together with the Series A Shares, the "Preferred Stock") and the limitation on voting by the Preferred Stockholders prior to receipt of certain regulatory approvals (the Preferred Stock may be voted only up to 9.9% of the Shares by any one holder). The Preferred Stock is entitled to vote with the Shares on an as-converted basis on all matters submitted to a vote of the Shares. Each share of Preferred Stock may be converted into Shares based on the applicable conversion price.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, the Master Fund may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 79,319,523 Shares, constituting 55.1% of the Shares.

The Master Fund has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 79,319,523 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 79,319,523 Shares.

The Master Fund specifically disclaims beneficial ownership in the Shares reported herein except to the extent it actually exercises voting or dispositive power with respect to such Shares.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, Harbinger LLC may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 79,319,523 Shares, constituting 55.1% of the Shares.

Harbinger LLC has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 79,319,523 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 79,319,523 Shares.

Harbinger LLC specifically disclaims beneficial ownership in the Shares reported herein except to the extent it actually exercises voting or dispositive power with respect to such Shares.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, the Special Fund may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 15,746,730 Shares, constituting 10.9% of the Shares.

The Special Fund has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 15,746,730 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 15,746,730 Shares.

The Special Fund specifically disclaims beneficial ownership in the Shares reported herein except to the extent it actually exercises voting or dispositive power with respect to such Shares.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, HCPSS may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 15,746,730 Shares, constituting 10.9% of the Shares.

HCPSS has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 15,746,730 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 15,746,730 Shares.

HCPSS specifically disclaims beneficial ownership in the Shares reported herein except to the extent it actually exercises voting or dispositive power with respect to such Shares.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, the Breakaway Fund may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 10,093,637 Shares, constituting 7.0% of the Shares.

The Breakaway Fund has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 10,093,637 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 10,093,637 Shares.

The Breakaway Fund specifically disclaims beneficial ownership in the Shares reported herein except to the extent it actually exercises voting or dispositive power with respect to such Shares.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, HCP II may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 10,093,637 Shares, constituting 7.0% of the Shares.

HCP II has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 10,093,637 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 10,093,637 Shares.

HCP II specifically disclaims beneficial ownership in the Shares reported herein except to the extent it actually exercises voting or dispositive power with respect to such Shares.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, HCP II GP may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 10,093,637 Shares, constituting 7.0% of the Shares.

HCP II GP has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 10,093,637 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 10,093,637 Shares.

HCP II GP specifically disclaims beneficial ownership in the Shares reported herein except to the extent it actually exercises voting or dispositive power with respect to such Shares.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, Harbinger Holdings may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 95,066,253 Shares, constituting 66.0% of the Shares.

Harbinger Holdings has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 0 Shares; has the shared power to vote or direct the vote of 95,066,253 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 95,066,253 Shares.

Harbinger Holdings specifically disclaims beneficial ownership in the Shares reported herein except to the extent it actually exercises voting or dispositive power with respect to such Shares.

(a, b) As of the date hereof, Philip Falcone may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 105,159,890 Shares, constituting 73.0% of the 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 105,159,890 Shares; has sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of 0 Shares; and has shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of 105,159,890 Shares.

Mr. Falcone specifically disclaims beneficial ownership in the Shares reported herein except to the extent he actually exercises voting or dispositive power with respect to such Shares.

(c) Item 6 below lists the transactions in the Shares by the Reporting Persons since the filing of the last amendment to this Schedule 13D."

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

Item 6 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended by adding the following as the last paragraph thereof:

"On August 14, 2013, the Special Fund sold pursuant to a stock purchase agreement with the Issuer an aggregate of 1.7 million Shares to the Issuer at a price of \$7.25 per Share. The foregoing description of the stock purchase agreement does not purport to be a complete description of the terms thereof and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the stock purchase agreement, a copy of which is filed as <u>Exhibit B</u> to this Schedule 13D and is incorporated herein by reference."

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

Exhibit A:	Joint Filing Agreement

Exhibit B: Stock PurchaseAgreement

### 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 CAPITAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND I, LTD.

- By: Harbinger Capital Partners LLC
- By: Harbinger Holdings, LLC, Manager
- By: <u>/s/ Philip Falcone</u> Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

#### HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC

By: Harbinger Holdings, LLC, Manager

By: /s/ Philip Falcone Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

# HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS SPECIAL SITUATIONS FUND, L.P.

- By: Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations GP, LLC
- By: Harbinger Holdings, LLC, Managing Member

By: /s/ Philip Falcone Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

#### HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS SPECIAL SITUATIONS GP, LLC

By: Harbinger Holdings, LLC, Managing Member

By: /s/ Philip Falcone

Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

## GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES BREAKAWAY LTD.

- By: Harbinger Capital Partners II LP
- By: Harbinger Capital Partners II GP LLC, General Partner
- By: /s/ Philip Falcone

Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

#### HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II LP

- By: Harbinger Capital Partners II GP LLC, General Partner
- By: /s/ Philip Falcone Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

## HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II GP LLC

By: /s/ Philip Falcone Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

#### HARBINGER HOLDINGS, LLC

By: /s/ Philip Falcone

Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

/s/ Philip Falcone

Philip Falcone

August 14, 2013

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

## JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree that this statement on Schedule 13D with respect to the Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share of Harbinger Group Inc., is, and any amendments thereto signed by each of the undersigned shall be, filed on behalf of each of us pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

#### HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND I, LTD.

- By: Harbinger Capital Partners LLC
- By: Harbinger Holdings, LLC, Manager
- By: /s/ Philip Falcone Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

#### HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC

- By: Harbinger Holdings, LLC, Manager
- By: /s/ Philip Falcone Name: Philip Falcone

Title: Managing Member

HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS SPECIAL SITUATIONS FUND, L.P.

- By: Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations GP, LLC
- By: Harbinger Holdings, LLC, Managing Member
- By: /s/ Philip Falcone

Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

#### HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS SPECIAL SITUATIONS GP, LLC

- By: Harbinger Holdings, LLC, Managing Member
- By: /s/ Philip Falcone

Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

### GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES BREAKAWAY LTD.

- By: Harbinger Capital Partners II LP
- By: Harbinger Capital Partners II GP LLC, General Partner
- By: /s/ Philip Falcone Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II LP

- By: Harbinger Capital Partners II GP LLC, General Partner
- By: /s/ Philip Falcone Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

## HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II GP LLC

By: /s/ Philip Falcone

Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

## HARBINGER HOLDINGS, LLC

By: /s/ Philip Falcone

Name: Philip Falcone Title: Managing Member

/s/ Philip Falcone

Philip Falcone

August 14, 2013

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#### STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT, dated August 14, 2013 (this "**Agreement**"), is by and between Harbinger Group Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Purchaser**") and Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations Fund, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the "**Seller**"). The Seller and the Purchaser are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "**Parties**" and each individually as a "**Party**."

WHEREAS, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Seller desire to sell to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser desires to purchase from the Seller, 1,700,000 shares of Purchaser common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Shares").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements contained in this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound, the Parties agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

## PURCHASE AND SALE

1.1 *Purchase and Sale.* Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Seller shall at the Closing sell to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser shall at the Closing purchase from the Seller, the Shares, free and clear of all liens, claims, pledge, options, charges, security interests, deeds of trust, voting agreements, restrictions on ownership, use, voting or transfer or any other encumbrances or other rights of third parties of any kind (collectively, "**Liens**").

1.2 *Consideration*. In consideration of the sale of the Shares to the Purchaser by the Seller, the Purchaser shall pay to the Seller at the Closing an amount equal to \$7.25 per share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Purchaser being an aggregate amount equal to \$12,325,000.00 (the "**Purchase Price**").

1.3 *Closing*. The closing of the purchase and sale of the Shares by the Seller to the Purchaser (the "**Closing**") shall take place at the offices of the Purchaser, 450 Park Avenue, 30th Floor, New York, NY 10022, as soon as reasonably practicable following the satisfaction of the conditions set forth herein, or at such other place, time or date as the Parties shall otherwise agree.

1.4 *Closing Deliveries.* Subject to <u>Article IV</u> below, at the Closing, the Seller will deliver and transfer to the Purchaser (a) the Shares in suitable form for transfer and (b) a properly completed and executed United States Treasury Department Form W-9 (or other applicable form or statement specified by Treasury Department regulations in lieu thereof). Concurrently with receipt by the Purchaser of the Shares, Purchaser shall deliver and transfer the Purchase Price by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account designated in a written notice by the Seller delivered to the Purchaser.

#### ARTICLE II

#### **REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE SELLER**

The Seller hereby represents and warrants to the Purchaser as follows:

2.1 *Organization; Authority.* The Seller has all necessary power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement, to perform its obligations under this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. All acts or proceedings required to be taken by the Seller to authorize the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been properly taken. No additional proceedings or approvals on the part of the Seller or any of its stockholders are necessary to authorize the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the consummation by the Seller of the transactions contemplated hereby.

2.2 *Enforceability.* This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Seller and, assuming the due and valid authorization, execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Purchaser, this Agreement constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Seller, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as the same may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting or relating to creditors' rights generally and general equitable principles (the "**Bankruptcy and Equity Exceptions**").

2.3 *No Violation; Consents and Approvals.* The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the consummation by the Seller of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the fulfillment of and compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement do not and will not (a) violate, or conflict with, any provision of the organizational documents of the Seller, (b) violate any law applicable to, binding upon or enforceable against the Seller, (c) violate, conflict, result in any breach of, or constitute a default (or an event which would, with the passage of time or the giving of notice or both, constitute a default) under, or give rise to a right of payment under or the right to terminate, amend, modify, abandon or accelerate, any contract or agreement to which the Seller is a party or any order or judgment of any federal, state, provincial or local governmental or regulatory commission, board, bureau, agency, court or regulatory or administrative body (a "**Governmental Authority**") or arbitrator, or (d) require any notice to, declaration, filing or registration with, approvals or consents of, or assignments by, any Governmental Authority, other than filings required to be made under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "**Exchange Act**"), except, in the case of (b) and (c), for any such violation, conflict, breach or default which would not have a material adverse effect on the Seller and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

2.4 *No Brokers.* The Seller has not incurred any obligation for any finder's or broker's or agent's fees or commissions or similar compensation in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby for which the Purchaser is or would be obligated to pay.

2.5 *Ownership of the Shares.* The Seller has, immediately prior to the Closing, clear, unencumbered record and beneficial title to the Shares set forth in <u>Section 1.2</u>, free and clear of any Liens (other than pursuant to this Agreement). Upon the consummation of the purchase of the Shares hereunder, the Purchaser shall own the Shares free and clear of any Liens (other than any Liens created by the Purchaser).

#### **ARTICLE III**

#### **REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF THE PURCHASER**

The Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to the Seller as follows:

3.1 *Organization; Authority.* The Purchaser has all necessary power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement, to perform its obligations under this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. All acts or proceedings required to be taken by the Purchaser to authorize the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been properly taken. No additional proceedings or approvals on the part of the Purchaser or any of its affiliates are necessary to authorize the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the consummation by the Purchaser of the transactions contemplated hereby.

3.2 *Enforceability.* This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Purchaser and, assuming the due and valid authorization, execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Seller, this Agreement constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Purchaser, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as the same may be limited by the Bankruptcy and Equity Exceptions.

3.3 No Violation; Consents and Approvals. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the consummation by the Purchaser of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the fulfillment of and compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement do not and will not (a) violate, or conflict with, any provision of the organizational documents of the Purchaser, (b) violate any law applicable to, binding upon or enforceable against the Purchaser, (c) violate, conflict, result in any breach of, or constitute a default (or an event which would, with the passage of time or the giving of notice or both, constitute a default) under, or give rise to a right of payment under or the right to terminate, amend, modify, abandon or accelerate, any contract or agreement to which the Purchaser is a party or any order or judgment of any Governmental Authority or arbitrator, or (d) require any notice to, declaration, filing or registration with, approvals or consents of, or assignments by, any Governmental Authority, other than filings required to be made under the Exchange Act, except, in the case of (b) and (c), for any such violation, conflict, breach or default which would not have a material adverse effect on the Purchaser and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

3.4 *No Brokers.* The Purchaser has not incurred any obligation for any finder's or broker's or agent's fees or commissions or similar compensation in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby for which the Seller is or would be obligated to pay.

3.5 *Investment Intent*. The Purchaser is acquiring the Shares for its own account, for investment purposes and not with a view towards resale or distribution thereof.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### **CLOSING CONDITIONS**

4.1 *Conditions on Purchaser's Obligation to Purchase.* The Seller acknowledges that the Purchaser's obligation to pay to the Seller the Purchase Price in exchange for the Shares set forth in <u>Section 1.2</u> at the Closing is conditioned upon satisfaction of the following conditions precedent at or before the Closing (any or all of which may be waived by Purchaser in its sole discretion):

(a) The Seller has delivered the applicable Shares to the Purchaser or its designated account; and

(b) The representations and warranties of the Seller contained in this Agreement shall have been true and correct at the time of execution of this Agreement and shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing as if given on and as of the Closing.

4.2 *Conditions to Seller's Obligation to Sell.* Purchaser acknowledges that the Seller's obligation to sell and deliver to Purchaser the Shares set forth in <u>Section 1.2</u> for the applicable portion of the Purchase Price at the Closing is conditioned upon satisfaction of the following conditions precedent at or before the Closing (any or all of which may be waived by the Seller in its sole discretion):

(a) The representations and warranties of the Purchaser contained in this Agreement shall have been true and correct at the time of execution of this Agreement and shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing as if given on and as of the Closing.

#### ARTICLE V

# MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

5.1 *Entire Agreement; Binding Effect.* This Agreement constitute the entire agreement between the Parties concerning the subject matter of this Agreement and supersede other prior agreements, understandings, covenants and representations, both written and oral, between the Parties to the extent they relate in any way to the subject matter of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby. This Agreement shall be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by, the Parties and their respective successors and assigns.

5.2 *Assignment*. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder shall be assigned by the Purchaser without the prior written consent of the Seller.

5.3 *Amendment and Modification.* This Agreement may be amended, modified or supplemented at any time by the Parties to this Agreement pursuant to an instrument in writing signed by the Parties.

5.4 *No Waivers.* Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, no failure to exercise, delay in exercising, or single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy by any Party, and no course of dealing between the Parties, shall constitute a waiver of any such right, power or remedy. No waiver by a Party of any default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant under this Agreement, whether intentional or not, shall be deemed to extend to any prior or subsequent default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant under this Agreement or affect in any way any rights arising by virtue of any such prior or subsequent occurrence. No waiver shall be valid unless in writing and signed by the Party against whom such waiver is sought to be enforced.

5.5 *Notices.* Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, all notices and other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and may be given by any of the following methods: (a) personal delivery; (b) email transmission; (c) registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested; or (d) overnight delivery service. Such notices and communications shall be sent to the appropriate Party at its address or email address given below or at such other address or email address for such Party as shall be specified by notice given under this Agreement (and shall be deemed given upon receipt by such Party or upon actual delivery to the appropriate address, or, in case of an email transmission, upon transmission by the sender; any email transmission shall be promptly acknowledged by the recipient):

(a) if to the Seller, to:

Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations Fund, L.P. 450 Park Avenue, 30<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10022 Attention: Robin Roger, General Counsel & Managing Director

(b) if to the Purchaser, to:

Harbinger Group Inc. 450 Park Avenue, 30<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10022 Attention: Ehsan Zargar, Vice President, Counsel & Corporate Secretary

#### 5.6 *Governing Law; Consent to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial.*

(a) This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York applicable to contracts executed in and to be performed entirely within that state. All actions and proceedings arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be heard and determined in any federal court sitting in the County of New York, NY, and the Parties hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts in any such action or proceeding and irrevocably waive the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of any such action or proceeding. Each Party irrevocably consents to the service of any and all process in any such action or proceeding by the mailing of copies of such process to such Party at its address specified in <u>Section 5.5</u>. The Parties agree that a final, non-appealable judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law. Nothing in this <u>Section 5.6</u> shall affect the right of any Party to serve legal process in any other manner permitted by law. The consents to jurisdiction set forth in this <u>Section 5.6</u> and shall not be deemed to confer rights on any person or entity other than the Parties.

(b) EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY THAT MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES, AND THEREFORE IT HEREBY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LITIGATION DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY OF THE AGREEMENTS DELIVERED IN CONNECTION HEREWITH OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY. EACH PARTY CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (A) NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE SUCH WAIVER, (B) IT UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH WAIVER, (C) IT MAKES SUCH WAIVER VOLUNTARILY AND (D) IT HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS <u>SECTION 5.6(b)</u>.

5.7 *Descriptive Headings; References.* The descriptive headings used in this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall in no way be construed to define, limit, describe, explain, modify, amplify, or add to the interpretation, construction or meaning of any provision of, or scope or intent of, this Agreement nor in any way affect this Agreement.

5.8 *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but any of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. An executed counterpart signature page to this Agreement delivered by fax or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to be an original and shall be as effective for all purposes as delivery of a manually executed counterpart.

5.9 *Further Actions*. Each Party shall, from time to time and without further consideration, execute such further instruments and take such other actions as any other Party hereto shall reasonably request in order to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement.

5.10 *Fees and Expenses.* Except as provided in <u>Section 5.11</u>, all costs and expenses (including legal and financial advisory fees and expenses) incurred in connection with, or in anticipation of, this Agreement and the transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall be paid by the Party incurring such expenses.

5.11 *Survival; Breach of Agreement.* The representations, warranties, agreements and covenants set forth herein shall survive the Closing indefinitely. Should a Party breach this Agreement, in addition to, and without limiting, all other rights and remedies available under applicable law (which rights and remedies shall be cumulative and elective), then such Party shall be responsible for all fees and expenses incurred by the other Party in enforcing its rights hereunder against such breaching Party, including fees and expenses of financial advisors, attorneys, accountants and other professionals.

5.12 *Severability*. The invalidity or unenforceability of any term or provision of this Agreement (other than <u>Article IV</u>) in any situation or jurisdiction shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other terms or provisions of this Agreement or the validity or enforceability of the offending term or provision in any other situation or in any other jurisdiction, and the remaining terms and provisions shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent permitted by law.

5.13 *No Presumption.* In the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the Parties and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any Party by virtue of the authorship of any provisions of this Agreement.

5.14 *Third-Party Beneficiaries.* This Agreement is solely for the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and this Agreement shall not be deemed to confer upon or give to any other third party any remedy, claim of liability or reimbursement, cause of action or other right.

5.15 *Specific Performance*. Each of the Parties expressly recognize and acknowledge that immediate, extensive and irreparable damage would result, no adequate remedy at law would exist, and damages would be difficult to determine in the event that any provision of this Agreement is not performed in accordance with its specific terms or otherwise breached. Therefore, in addition to, and not in limitation of, any other remedy available to any Party, a Party will be entitled to specific performance of the terms hereof and immediate injunctive relief, without the necessity of proving the inadequacy of money damages as a remedy and without bond or other security being required. Such remedies, and any and all other remedies provided for in this Agreement, will be cumulative in nature and not exclusive and will be in addition to any other remedies whatsoever which any Party may otherwise have. Each of the Parties acknowledges and agrees that it may be difficult to prove damages with reasonable certainty, that it may be difficult to procure suitable substitute performance, and that injunctive relief and/or specific performance will not cause an undue hardship to the Parties. Each of the Parties hereby further acknowledges that the existence of any other remedy contemplated by this Agreement does not diminish the availability of specific performance of the obligations hereunder or any other injunctive relief. Each Party further agrees that in the event of any action by any other Party for specific performance or injunctive relief, it will not assert that a remedy at law or other remedy would be adequate or that specific performance or injunctive relief in respect of such breach or violation should not be available on the grounds that money damages are adequate or any other grounds.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has caused this Agreement to be duly signed as of the date first above written.

# **PURCHASER**

# HARBINGER GROUP INC.

By: /s/ Ehsan Zargar

Name: Ehsan Zargar Title: Vice President, Counsel & Corporate Secretary

## **SELLER**

# HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS SPECIAL SITUATIONS FUND, L.P.

By: /s/ Keith M. Hladek

Name: Keith M. Hladek Title: Vice President