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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Williams The	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HARBINGER GROUP INC. [HRG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
C/O HARBI	NGER GRO	OUP	11/29/2012	X Officer (give title Other (specification) below)			
INC., 450 PARK AVENUE, 27TH				EVP & CFO			
FLOOR							
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
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 Acc	quired Disposed of or Rapaficially Owned			

		Table 1- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed oi, of Denenciary Owned							
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	4. Securities associated (Instr. 3, 4 tr. 8) de V Amount 215,376		(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					()		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/29/2012		A	· ·	A	\$ 0	265,376	D	
Common Stock	11/29/2012		F	27,417	D	\$ 8.52	237,959	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.52	11/29/2012		A	100,821	<u>(1)</u>	11/29/2022	Common Stock	100,82

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Williams Thomas A. C/O HARBINGER GROUP INC. 450 PARK AVENUE, 27TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022

EVP & CFO

Signatures

/s/ Thomas A. Williams 12/03/2012

**Signature of Reporting Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The options with respect to 28,427 shares vested on the grant date, with respect to 28,427 on November 29, 2013, with respect to 21,984 shares on November 29, 2014 and 21,984 shares on November 29, 2015.

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