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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add LEFFLER RO	-	_	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	(encen un appneaeie)		
C/O HARBINGER GROUP INC., 450 PARK AVENUE, 27TH FLOOR			(Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2012	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
NEW YORK, NY 10022			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi n(A) or Di		•	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A) or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/14/2012		M	8,000	A	\$ 3.325	29,645	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2012		F	5,474	D	\$ 4.86	24,171	D	

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

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

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	f Derivative Expiration Date ecurities (Month/Day/Year) cquired A) or isposed of D) nstr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.325	02/14/2012		М	8,000	<u>(1)</u>	03/01/2012	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting Owner Name / Namess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LEFFLER ROBERT V JR C/O HARBINGER GROUP INC. 450 PARK AVENUE, 27TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	X					

Signatures

Reporting Person

/s/ Robert
Leffler

**Signature of 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 became exercisable in cumulative one-third installments vesting annually beginning on the first anniversary of March 1, 2002.

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