HARBINGER GROUP INC. Form SC 13D/A May 23, 2011

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. 8)

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)

May 19, 2011 (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

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* 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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1	NAME (OF R	EPORTING PERSON				
2	Harbinger Capital Partners Master Fund I, Ltd. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP ()						
3	SEC USE ONLY						
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS						
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13	PERCE	NT O	F CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)				

68.9%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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1	NAME (OF R	EPORTING PERSON					
2	Harbinger Capital Partners LLC CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP							
3	SEC USE ONLY							
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS AF							
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT o TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)							
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68.9%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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1	NAME (OF R	EPORTING PERSON				
2	Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations Fund, L.P. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (1)						
3	SEC USE ONLY						
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS OO						
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT of TO ITEMS $2(d)$ or $2(e)$						
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13	PERCEN	NT O	OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)				

15.4%

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1	NAME (OF R	EPORTING PERSON				
2	Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations GP, LLC CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP						
3	SEC USE ONLY						
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS						
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT o TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)						
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15.4%

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CUSIP No. 41146A106		S	C 13D Page 6 of 1	17				
1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON							
2	Global Opportunities Breakaway Ltd. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP							
3	SEC USE ONLY							
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS							
5	OO CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT o TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)							
6	CITIZEI	NSHI	IP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION					
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8.9%

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON							
2	Harbinger Capital Partners II LP CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (
3	SEC USE ONLY							
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS							
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT o TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)							
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8.9%

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1	NAME (OF R	EPORTING PERSON					
2	Harbinger Capital Partners II GP LLC CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP							
3	SEC USE ONLY							
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS							
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT o TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)							
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8.9%

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1	NAME (OF R	EPORTING PERSON					
2	Harbinger Holdings, LLC CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (3)							
3	SEC USE ONLY							
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS							
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT o TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)							
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12	117,425, CHECK SHARES	ВОХ	X IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN	0				
13	PERCE	NT O	F CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)					

84.4%

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1	NAME (OF R	EPORTING PERSON					
	Philip Fa	alcon	e					
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (
3	SEC USE ONLY							
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS							
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT o TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)							
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13	PERCE	NT O	F CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)					

93.3%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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Item 1. Security and Issuer.

This Amendment No. 8 to Schedule 13D ("Amendment No. 8") 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 and Amendment No. 7, filed on May 16, 2011 (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, 27th 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.

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended by adding the following to the end thereof:

"On May 19, 2011, a special committee (the "Special Committee") of the board of directors (the "Board") of the Issuer, comprised of independent directors under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, unanimously determined that it is (i) in the best interests of the Issuer and its stockholders (other than HCP (as defined below) and its affiliates) for Front Street Re Ltd., the Issuer's indirectly wholly-owned Bermuda-based reinsurer ("Front Street"), and Fidelity & Guaranty Life Insurance Company (formerly, OM Financial Life Insurance Company), one of the Issuer's indirectly wholly-owned insurance companies ("FGL"), to enter into a reinsurance agreement (the "Reinsurance Agreement"), pursuant to which Front Street would reinsure up to \$3 billion of insurance obligations under annuity contracts of FGL and (ii) in the best interests of the Issuer and its stockholders for Front Street and Harbinger Capital Partners II LP ("HCP"), one of the Reporting Persons, to enter into an investment management agreement (the "Investment Management Agreement"), pursuant to which HCP would be appointed as the investment manager of up to \$1 billion of assets securing Front Street's reinsurance obligations under the Reinsurance Agreement, which assets will be deposited in a reinsurance trust account for the benefit of FGL pursuant to a trust agreement (the "Trust Agreement"). On May 19, 2011, the Board approved the Reinsurance Agreement, the Investment Management Agreement, the Trust Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby. The Special Committee's consideration of the Reinsurance Agreement, the Trust Agreement, and the Investment Management Agreement was contemplated by the terms of the Transfer Agreement. In considering the foregoing matters, the Special Committee was advised by independent counsel and received a fairness opinion from Gleacher & Company Securities, Inc.

The Reinsurance Agreement, the Trust Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby are subject to, and may not be entered into or consummated without, the approval of the Maryland Insurance Administration."

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Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

No material change.

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

No material change.

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Item 7. Material to	be Filed as Exhibits.		
	Exhibit A:	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 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

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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

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Exhibit A

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree that the statement on Schedule 13D with respect to the Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share of Harbinger Group Inc., dated as of May 23, 2011 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

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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