

Harbinger Group Inc.'s Consumer Products Segment, Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc., Plans to Report Fiscal 2011 Second Quarter Financial Results on May 11

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Harbinger Group Inc. ("HGI"; NYSE: HRG) today announced that its majority-owned operating subsidiary Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: SPB), will issue its 2011 fiscal second quarter results and host a conference call and webcast on May 11, 2011.

In line with its strategy to generate stockholder value, HGI acquired a 54.5% majority interest in global consumer products company Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc. on January 7, 2011. Spectrum Brands operates as a publicly traded subsidiary of HGI with its common stock traded on the New York Stock Exchange. Spectrum Brands' fiscal 2011 second quarter results will be reflected in HGI's results for the six-months ended April 3, 2011.

For the full text of today's Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc. announcement and details for accessing their conference call and webcast, please visit Spectrum Brands' investor relations website at: http://phx.corporate-ir.net/phoenix.zhtml?c=75225&p=irol-news.

About Harbinger Group Inc.

HGI is a holding company that seeks to acquire significant interests in businesses across a diverse range of industries and bring an owner's perspective to building long-term value for stockholders. As of December 31, 2010, HGI had approximately \$471 million in consolidated cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments, which included \$360 million in restricted cash that has subsequently become unrestricted and was used to fund the acquisition of Fidelity & Guaranty Life (formerly, Old Mutual U.S. Life Holdings, Inc.) on April 6, 2011. A majority of HGI's outstanding common stock is owned by investment funds affiliated with Harbinger Capital Partners LLC. HGI makes certain reports available free of charge on its website at www.harbingergroupinc.com as soon as reasonably practicable after this information is electronically filed, or furnished to, the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

About Harbinger Capital Partners

Harbinger Capital Partners is a multi-billion dollar private investment fund based in New York which employs a fundamental approach to deep value and distressed credit investing. Harbinger Capital Partners is led by Philip A. Falcone who has been the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer of funds affiliated with or managed by Harbinger Capital Partners since 2001. Mr. Falcone has more than 20 years of investment experience across an array of market cycles.

About Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc.

Spectrum Brands Holdings, Inc., a member of the Russell 2000 Index, is a diversified, global consumer products company and a leading supplier of batteries, shaving and grooming products, personal care products, small household appliances, specialty pet supplies, lawn & garden and home pest control products, personal insect repellents and portable lighting. Helping to meet the needs of consumers worldwide, the Company offers a broad portfolio of market-leading and widely trusted brands including Rayovac(R), Remington(R), Varta(R), George Foreman(R), Black & Decker(R), Toastmaster(R), Tetra(R), Marineland(R), Nature's Miracle(R), Dingo(R), 8-in-1(R), Littermaid(R), Spectracide(R), Cutter(R), Repel(R), and Hot Shot(R).Spectrum Brands Holdings' products are sold by the world's top 25 retailers and are available in more than one million stores in more than 120 countries around the world. Spectrum Brands Holdings generated net sales of \$3.1 billion from continuing operations in fiscal 2010. For more information, visit <u>www.spectrumbrands.com</u>.

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