#### **GALLOWAY SCOTT**

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\$0.10 per share)

Class A

Common

Stock (par

11/12/2008

#### November 14, 2008 **OMB APPROVAL** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HARBINGER CAPITAL Issuer Symbol PARTNERS MASTER FUND I, NEW YORK TIMES CO [NYT] (Check all applicable) LTD. (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X\_\_ 10% Owner Officer (give title \_X\_ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O INTERNATIONAL FUND 11/12/2008 \* See Remarks SERVICES LIMITED, THIRD FL, **BISHOP'S SQUARE REDMOND'S** HILL (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_ Form filed by One Reporting Person \_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting **DUBLIN, L2 00000** Person (Zip) (City) (State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (T) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class A Common Stock (par D (1) (2) (3) P 11/12/2008 100 200 (4) (6) (7) value

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Class A Common Stock (par value \$0.10 per share)

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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 | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.        | 5.           | 6. Date Exerc    | cisable and | 7. Title | e and    | 8. Price of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|-------------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transac   | tionNumber   | Expiration Da    | ate         | Amou     | nt of    | Derivative  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code      | of           | (Month/Day/      | Year)       | Under    | lying    | Security    |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8 | ) Derivative | e                |             | Securi   | ties     | (Instr. 5)  |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    |           | Securities   | 3                |             | (Instr.  | 3 and 4) |             |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |           | Acquired     |                  |             |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |           | (A) or       |                  |             |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |           | Disposed     |                  |             |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |           | of (D)       |                  |             |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |           | (Instr. 3,   |                  |             |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |           | 4, and 5)    |                  |             |          |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |           |              |                  |             |          | Amount   |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |           |              |                  |             |          | or       |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |           |              | Date             | Expiration  |          | Number   |             |
|             |             |                     |                    |           |              | Exercisable Date |             | of       |          |             |
|             |             |                     |                    | Code      | V (A) (D)    |                  |             |          | Shares   |             |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  |  | Relationships |         |               |  |  |
|---|--|---------------|---------|---------------|--|--|
|   |  | 10% Owner     | Officer | Other         |  |  |
| HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND I, LTD.<br>C/O INTERNATIONAL FUND SERVICES LIMITED<br>THIRD FL, BISHOP'S SQUARE REDMOND'S HILL<br>DUBLIN, L2 00000 |  | X             |         | * See Remarks |  |  |
| HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS NY, LLC<br>C/O HARBINGER CAP PTNRS OFFSHORE MGR LLC<br>2100 THIRD AVENUE NORTH, SUITE 600<br>BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203              |  | X             |         | * See Remarks |  |  |
|   |  | X             |         | * See Remarks |  |  |

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| HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTN   | NERS OFFSHORE MANAGER,  |                  |               |
|---|---|------------------|---------------|
| L.L.C.<br>2100 THIRD AVENUE NORTH<br>SUITE 600  |   |                  |               |
| BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203  |   |                  |               |
| HMC INVESTORS, L.L.C.<br>2100 THIRD AVENUE NORTH<br>SUITE 600<br>BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203 |   | X                | * See Remarks |
| FALCONE PHILIP<br>555 MADISON AVE<br>16TH FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022                 |   | X                | * See Remarks |
| HARBERT RAYMOND J<br>2100 THIRD AVENUE NORTH<br>SUITE 600<br>BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203     |   | X                | * See Remarks |
| LUCE MICHAEL D<br>2100 THIRD AVENUE NORTH<br>SUITE 600<br>BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203        |   | X                | * See Remarks |
| FIREBRAND INVESTMENTS, I<br>210 LITTLE NOYAC PATH, WA<br>NEW YORK, NY 11976           |   | X                | * See Remarks |
| GALLOWAY SCOTT<br>40 WEST 4TH STREET<br>NEW YORK, NY 10014                            |   | X                | * See Remarks |
| Signatures  |   |                  |               |
|   | er Fund I, Ltd., By: Harbinger Capitators, L.L.C., Managing Member, By  |                  | 11/14/2008    |
|   | **Signature of Reporting Person   |                  | Date          |
| Harbinger Capital Partners Offsho   | LLC, By: Harbinger Capital Master ore Manager, L.L.C., its Investment lember, By: /s/ Joel B. Piassick, Executive Company (1988). | Manager, By: HMC | 11/14/2008    |
|   | **Signature of Reporting Person   |                  | Date          |
| Harbinger Capital Partners Offsh<br>Member, By: /s/ Joel B. Piassick,                 | 11/14/2008  |                  |               |
|   | **Signature of Reporting Person   |                  | Date          |
| HMC Investors, L.L.C., By: /s/ Jo   | pel B. Piassick, Executive VP   |                  | 11/14/2008    |
|   | **Signature of Reporting Person   |                  | Date          |
| /s/ Philip Falcone  |   |                  | 11/14/2008    |

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|   | **Signature of Reporting Person | Date               |  |  |
|---|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|
| /s/ Raymond J. Harbert  |                                 | 11/14/2008         |  |  |
|   | **Signature of Reporting Person | Date               |  |  |
| /s/ Michael D. Luce   |                                 | 11/14/2008         |  |  |
|   | **Signature of Reporting Person | Date               |  |  |
| /s/ Firebrand Investments, LLC, By: /s/ Scott Galloway, Founder and CIO |                                 |                    |  |  |
|   | **Signature of Reporting Person | 11/14/2008<br>Date |  |  |
| /s/ Scott Galloway  |                                 | 11/14/2008         |  |  |
|   | **Signature of Reporting Person | 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).
  - IMPORTANT NOTE: THE SECURITIES SET FORTH IN THIS REPORT ARE DIRECTLY BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND I, LTD., HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS SPECIAL SITUATIONS
- (1) FUND, L.P. AND/OR HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS NY, LLC (COLLECTIVELY, THE "FUNDS"). ALL OTHER REPORTING PERSONS ARE INCLUDED WITHIN THIS REPORT DUE TO THEIR AFFILIATION WITH ONE OR MORE OF THE FUNDS.
  - On Nov. 12, 2008 Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations Fund, L.P., or the Special Situations Fund, sold 11,514,246 shares of Issuer's class A common stock, or the Shares, to Harbinger Capital Partners Master Fund I, Ltd., or the Master Fund, at a price of \$8.38
- (2) per Share. The Shares sold were comprised of the 100 Shares directly beneficially owned by the Special Situations Fund and the 11,514,146 Shares indirectly beneficially owned by the Special Situations Fund and directly beneficially owned by Harbinger Capital Partners NY, LLC (see Note 4).
- (3) The Master Fund is the direct beneficial owner of 200 Shares and the indirect beneficial owner of the 28,488,234 shares directly beneficially owned by the LLC (see Note 4).
  - Harbinger Capital Partners Offshore Manager, L.L.C., or Harbinger Management, is the investment manager of the Master Fund. HMC Investors, L.L.C., or HMC Investors, is the managing member of Harbinger Management. Philip Falcone is a member of HMC Investors and the portfolio manager of the Master Fund. Raymond J. Harbert and Michael D. Luce are members of HMC Investors. Each of
- (4) Harbinger Management, HMC Investors and Messrs. Falcone, Harbert and Luce may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly or indirectly by the Master Fund. Such persons disclaim beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.
  - Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations GP, LLC, or HCPSS, is the general partner of the Special Situations Fund, HMC-New York, Inc., or HMCNY, is the managing member of HCPSS. Harbert Management Corporation, or HMC, is the parent of HMCNY. Philip Falcone is a shareholder of HMC and the portfolio manager of the Special Situations Fund. Raymond J. Harbert and Michael D.
- Luce are shareholders of HMC. Each of HCPSS, HMCNY, HMC, and Messrs. Falcone, Harbert and Luce may be deemed to beneficially own the securities owned directly or indirectly by the Special Situations Fund. Such persons disclaim beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.
- (6) The Master Fund, the Special Situations Fund and Firebrand Investments, LLC, or Firebrand Investments, are members of the LLC. Scott Galloway is the managing member of Firebrand Investments. The Master Fund has sole investment control over the securities directly owned by the LLC that were contributed to the LLC by the Master Fund or purchased using capital contributions of the Master Fund to the LLC. The Special Situations Fund has sole investment control over the securities directly owned by the LLC that were contributed to the LLC by the Special Situations Fund or purchased using capital contributions of the Special Situations Fund to the LLC. Firebrand Investments has sole investment control over the securities directly owned by the LLC that were contributed to the LLC by Firebrand Investments (or certain related investors) or purchased using capital contributions of Firebrand Investments (or certain related investors)

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to the LLC.

Under the terms of the operating agreement of the LLC, Firebrand Investments has an interest in the net profits from investments in the Issuer that are made by the Master Fund and the Special Situations Fund, including direct investments and indirect investments through the LLC. Mr. Galloway may be deemed to indirectly beneficially own securities that are beneficially owned by Firebrand Investments.

(7) Firebrand Investments and Mr. Galloway disclaim beneficial ownership of the securities beneficially owned by the LLC, the Master Fund and the Special Situations Fund, except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.

#### **Remarks:**

(\*) The Reporting Persons and the other persons referred to the footnotes to this Statement may be deemed to be members of a "group" for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities deemed to be owned by the group that are not directly owned by the reporting person. This Statement shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is a member of a group or the beneficial owner of any securities not directly owned by such Reporting Person.

(\*\*) Given that the EDGAR system limits the number of filers on an electronic submission filed under Section 16 to a maximu of ten, the shares reported herein as indirectly beneficially owned by Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations Fund, L.P., Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations GP, LLC, HMC-New York, Inc. and Harbert Management Corporation are being reported on a separate Form 4 as directly beneficially owned by such entities.

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