**FALCONE PHILIP** 

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**SECURITIES** 

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person \*

Statement

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

 **HARBINGER CAPITAL** PARTNERS MASTER FUND I,

(Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2010

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC. [MERC]

LTD.

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O INTERNATIONAL FUND SERVICES LIMITED, Â THIRD FL, BISHOP'S SQUARE

(Street)

REDMOND'S HILL

(Check all applicable)

\_X\_\_ 10% Owner

Director Officer Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

\_ Form filed by One Reporting

\_X\_ Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

DUBLIN L2, L2Â 00000

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Ownership

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

(Instr. 4)

Form: Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 5)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share

2,228,194

D (1) (2) (5) (6) (10)

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Title	Number of Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)		
8.5% Convertible Notes due 2012	(8)	10/15/2012	Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share	1,973,333	\$ <u>(9)</u>	D (3) (4) (5) (7) (10)	Â	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND I, LTD. C/O INTERNATIONAL FUND SERVICES LIMITED THIRD FL, BISHOP'S SQUARE REDMOND'S HILL DUBLIN L2, L2 00000	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
FALCONE PHILIP 450 PARK AVENUE, 30TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
HARBINGER HOLDINGS, LLC 450 PARK AVENUE, 30TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II GP LLC 450 PARK AVENUE, 30TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II LP 450 PARK AVENUE, 30TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
Credit Distressed Blue Line Master Fund, Ltd. C/O INTERNATIONAL FUND SERVICES (IRELAND THIRD FL, BISHOP'S SQUARE, REDMOND'S HIL DUBLIN 2, L2 00000	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC 450 PARK AVENUE, 30TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	Â	ÂX	Â	Â

# **Signatures**

HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS MASTER FUND I, LTD.; BY: HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC; BY: HARBINGER HOLDINGS, LLC; /s/ Philip Falcone, Managing Member

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\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC; BY: HARBINGER HOLDINGS, LLC; /s/ Philip 02/08/2010 Falcone, Managing Member \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date CREDIT DISTRESSED BLUE LINE MASTER FUND, LTD.; BY: HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II LP; BY: HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II GP LLC; /s/ Philip Falcone, 02/08/2010 Managing Member \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II LP; BY: HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II 02/08/2010 GP LLC; /s/ Philip Falcone, Managing Member \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date HARBINGER CAPITAL PARTNERS II GP LLC; /s/ Philip Falcone, Managing Member 02/08/2010 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date HARBINGER HOLDINGS, LLC; /s/ Philip Falcone, Managing Member 02/08/2010 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

PHILIP FALCONE; /s/ Philip Falcone

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

- (1) These shares of the issuer's common stock, par value \$1.00 per share ("Common Stock" or the "Shares") are held for the account of Harbinger Capital Partners Master Fund I, Ltd. (the "Master Fund"), which is a Reporting Person.
  - (2) These Shares may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by Harbinger Capital Partners LLC ("Harbinger LLC") which serves as the investment manager and investment advisor to the Master Fund; Harbinger Holdings LLC ("Harbinger Holdings") which

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- (2) serves as the manager to Harbinger LLC; and Philip Falcone ("Mr. Falcone") who serves as the managing member of Harbinger Holdings and the portfolio manager of the Master Fund. In such capacity, Harbinger Holdings and Mr. Falcone may be deemed to have beneficial ownership over the Shares held in the Master Fund.
- (3) These shares of the issuer?s common stock, par value \$1.00 per share ("Common Stock" or the "Shares") are held for the account of Credit Distressed Blue Line Master Fund, Ltd. (the "Blue Line Fund"), which is a Reporting Person.
- (4) These Shares may be deemed to be indirectly beneficially owned by Harbinger Capital Partners II LP ("HCP II") which serves as the investment manager to the Blue Line Fund; Harbinger Capital Partners II GP LLC ("HCP II GP") which serves as the general partner of HCP II; and Mr. Falcone who serves as the managing member of HCP II GP and the portfolio manager of the Blue Line Fund. In such capacity, Mr. Falcone may be deemed to have beneficial ownership over the Shares held in the Blue Line Fund.
- (5) These Shares are held for the Master Fund and the Blue Line Fund and constitute approximately 10.94% of the total number of Shares outstanding. Reporting Persons hold approximately 4,201,527 Shares of the issuer, consisting of: (A) 2,228,194 Shares held for the account of the Master Fund; and (B) 1,973,333 Shares held for the account of the Blue Line Fund which consists of Shares that the Reporting Persons may be deemed to own upon the conversion of the 8.5% Convertible Notes due 2012 as per Rule 13d-3(d)(1)(i).
- (6) Based upon information provided by the Issuer in its recently-filed quarterly report on Form 10-Q, there were 36,443,487 Shares outstanding as of November 5, 2009.
- (7) Based upon information provided by the Issuer in its recently-filed quarterly report on Form 10-Q, there were 36,443,487 Shares outstanding as of November 5, 2009. Pursuant to Rule 13d-3(d)(1)(i), 1,973,333 Shares which are entitled to be obtained upon the conversion of the 8.5% Convertible Notes due 2012 have been added to the Issuer's number of shares outstanding, therefore totaling 38,416,820, as the number of Shares outstanding.
- (8) The 8.5% Convertible Notes due 2012 are immediately convertible into Shares.
- (9) The conversion ratio of the 8.5% Convertible Notes due 2012 is 303.0303 Shares per \$1,000 principal amount of Convertible Notes (equal to a conversion price of approximately \$3.30 per Share).

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(10) Each of the reporting persons may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of the securities held by the Master Fund and the Blue Line for purposes of Rule 16a-1(a)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). Harbinger LLC, HCP II, HCP II GP, Harbinger Holdings and Mr. Falcone disclaim beneficial ownership within the meaning of Rule 16a-1(a)(2) under the Exchange Act in the securities owned by the Master Fund and the Blue Line Fund except to the extent, if any, of their pecuniary interest therein.

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