

APPLICA INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 \*  
**HARBERT MANAGEMENT CORP**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ONE RIVERCHASE PARKWAY SOUTH,**

(Street)

**BIRMINGHAM, AL 35244**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**APPLICA INC [APN]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

**08/29/2006**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

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

\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_X\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Amount Price  |  | By Harbinger Capital Partners Master Fund I, Ltd.     |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 7,921,200 <sup>(1)</sup>  | I  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/29/2006                           |  | P                              | 41,900 A  | \$ 1,840,600 <sup>(2)</sup><br>4.55   | I  | By Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations      |

|              |            |   |       |   |            |                          |   |   |
|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|------------|--------------------------|---|---|
| Common Stock | 08/30/2006 | P | 5,900 | A | \$<br>4.55 | 1,846,500 <sup>(2)</sup> | I | Fund, L.P.<br>By<br>Harbinger<br>Capital<br>Partners<br>Special<br>Situations<br>Fund, L.P. |
|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|------------|--------------------------|---|---|

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HARBERT MANAGEMENT CORP<br>ONE RIVERCHASE PARKWAY SOUTH<br>BIRMINGHAM, AL 35244 |               | X         |         |       |
| FALCONE PHILIP<br>555 MADISON AVE<br>16TH FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022           |               | X         |         |       |
| HARBERT RAYMOND J<br>ONE RIVERCHASE PARKWAY SOUTH<br>BIRMINGHAM, AL 35244       |               | X         |         |       |

LUCE MICHAEL D  
 ONE RIVERCHASE PARKWAY SOUTH X  
 BIRMINGHAM, AL 35244

## Signatures

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Harbert Management Corporation, By: /s/ Joel B. Piassick | 08/31/2006 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person                          | Date       |
| /s/ Philip Falcone                                       | 08/31/2006 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person                          | Date       |
| /s/ Raymond J. Harbert                                   | 08/31/2006 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person                          | Date       |
| /s/ Michael D. Luce                                      | 08/31/2006 |
| **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).

(1) These securities are owned by Harbinger Capital Partners Master Fund I, Ltd. (the "Master Fund"). These securities may be deemed to be beneficially owned by Harbinger Capital Partners Offshore Manager, L.L.C. ("Harbinger Management"), the investment manager of the Master Fund, HMC Investors, L.L.C., its managing member ("HMC Investors"), Harbert Management Corporation ("HMC"), the managing member of HMC Investors, Philip Falcone, a member of HMC and the portfolio manager of the Master Fund, Raymond J. Harbert, a member of HMC, and Michael D. Luce, a member of HMC. Each such Reporting Person disclaims 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.

(2) These securities are owned by Harbinger Capital Partners Special Situations Fund, L.P. (the "Special Situations Fund"). These securities may be deemed to be beneficially owned by HMC, Philip Falcone, Raymond J. Harbert and Michael Luce. HMC wholly owns the managing member of the Special Situations Fund's general partner. Philip Falcone is the portfolio manager of the Special Situations Fund and is a member of HMC. Raymond J. Harbert and Michael D. Luce are members of HMC. Each such Reporting Person disclaims 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.

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