

WILLBROS GROUP INC

Form 8-K

November 14, 2007

**FORM 8-K**  
**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT**  
**TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) November 14, 2007

**WILLBROS GROUP, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Republic of Panama**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**1-11953**

(Commission File Number)

**98-0160660**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**Plaza 2000 Building, 50th Street, 8th Floor, P.O. Box 0816-01098, Panama, Republic of Panama**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

**+50-7-213-0947**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

In connection with the preparation of October 2007 internal financial statements, management of Willbros Group, Inc. (the Company ) discovered a clerical error arising from the Company s expense recognition and cost projections for a subcontract relating to a fixed-price contract for a project in Canada which is approximately 90 percent complete.

Management determined that a report manually prepared for this project at September 30, 2007, which project is currently expected to be profitable, omitted a line item of subcontractor costs that was previously included in the Company s August 31, 2007 internal financial statements. As a result of the clerical error in the September 30, 2007 report, the subcontractor costs were not included in the project costs at September 30, 2007. Management concluded that this error did not result in a material error in the Company s financial statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2007 and, as a result, the Company concluded that no adjustments are required to the consolidated financial statements included in the Company s previously filed Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2007.

However, solely as a result of this error, on November 13, 2007, the Company determined that a material weakness in the Company s internal control over financial reporting exists with respect to its management review of subcontract cost calculations for this project. In connection with its efforts to remediate this material weakness, the Company intends to take a number of actions to strengthen the control environment over its operations in Canada, including the following:

enhance the management review process and hire additional project controllers; and

introduce system upgrades to automate certain processes, which management believes will prevent the omission of previously identified costs, such as those described above.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**WILLBROS GROUP, INC.**

Date: November 14, 2007

By: /s/ Van A. Welch  
Van A. Welch  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer