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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kirscher Elizabeth			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			Morningstar, Inc. [MORN]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 22 WEST WASHINGTON STREET			12/22/2009	_X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Pres., Data Services		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
				X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
CHICAGO,	IL 60602			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/22/2009		M	1,500	A	\$ 14.13	42,391	D	
Common Stock	12/22/2009		S	1,500	D	\$ 48.15 (2)	40,891	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 14.13	12/22/2009		M	1,500	<u>(1)</u>	05/01/2010	Common Stock	1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kirscher Elizabeth C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC. 22 WEST WASHINGTON STREET CHICAGO, IL 60602

Pres., Data Services

Signatures

/s/ Heidi Miller, by power of attorney 12/23/2009

**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) The options became exercisable in four equal installments on May 01, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$48.10 to \$48.20. The price reported above reflects the weighted (2) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, Morningstar or a shareholder of

(2) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, Morningstar or a shareholder Morningstar full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

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