

FRANCIS CHERYL A
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FRANCIS CHERYL A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 22
WEST WASHINGTON STREET

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60602

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Morningstar, Inc. [MORN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/30/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/30/2011		M	500	A	\$ 19.6699 (2)	12,826	D
Common Stock	11/30/2011		S(1)	500	D	\$ 60	12,326	D
Common Stock	12/01/2011		M	500	A	\$ 19.6721 (3)	12,826	D
Common Stock	12/01/2011		S(1)	500	D	\$ 60	12,326	D

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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. F... Der... Sec... (Ins...
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.6699 (2)	11/30/2011		M	500	(4) 12/01/2014	Common Stock	500
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.6721 (3)	12/01/2011		M	500	(4) 12/01/2014	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRANCIS CHERYL A C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC. 22 WEST WASHINGTON STREET CHICAGO, IL 60602	X			

Signatures

/s/ Heidi Miller, by power of attorney
12/01/2011

__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 sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 23, 2011.
- (2) The exercise price increases over the term of the option at a rate equal to the 10-year Treasury bond yield as of the date of grant (\$14.70). On November 30, 2011, the exercise price was \$19.6699.
- (3) The exercise price increases over the term of the option at a rate equal to the 10-year Treasury bond yield as of the date of grant (\$14.70). On December 1, 2011, the exercise price was \$19.6721.
- (4) The options became exercisable in 3 equal installments on January 27, 2005, 2006, and 2007.

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