MORNINGSTAR, INC.

FORM 4
(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Kaplan Steven N
1101 EAST 58TH STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60637

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)
5/2/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
__ X __ Director
__ 10% Owner
__ Officer (give title below)
__ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
__ X Form filed by One Reporting Person
__ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title of Security</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Trans. Code</th>
<th>Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)</th>
<th>Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>5/2/2005</td>
<td>V</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>12000</td>
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Trans. Code</th>
<th>Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)</th>
<th>Date Exercisable and Expiration Date</th>
<th>Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security</th>
<th>Price of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)</th>
<th>Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Stock Option (Right to Buy)</td>
<td>$18.50</td>
<td>5/2/2005</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>12000</td>
<td>5/2/2015</td>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>$18.50</td>
<td>12000</td>
<td>D</td>
<td></td>
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Explanation of Responses:
(1) The exercise price of these options will increase over the term of the options at a rate equal to the 10-year Treasury yield rate as of May 2, 2005.

(2) The options vest and become exercisable over a period of four years in equal annual installments beginning on the initial vesting date of May 2, 2006.

Reporting Owners

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<tr>
<th>Reporting Owner Name / Address</th>
<th>Relationships</th>
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<tr>
<td>Kaplan Steven N</td>
<td>X</td>
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Signatures

Peter Olson, by power of attorney

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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