STATEDMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Huang Tao
C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 22 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60602

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)
12/1/2010

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

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

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

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<tr>
<th>1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)</th>
<th>2. Trans. Date</th>
<th>2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any</th>
<th>3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)</th>
<th>4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>12/1/2010</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>V</td>
<td>1000 A</td>
<td>1000 A</td>
<td>D</td>
<td>D</td>
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<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>12/1/2010</td>
<td>S (1)</td>
<td>(1)</td>
<td>$23.2699 (3)</td>
<td>477051</td>
<td>D</td>
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)</th>
<th>2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</th>
<th>3. Trans. Date</th>
<th>3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any</th>
<th>4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)</th>
<th>5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date</th>
<th>7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)</th>
<th>9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</th>
<th>10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)</td>
<td>$23.2699 (3)</td>
<td>12/1/2010</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>1000 (2)</td>
<td>5/2/2015 Common Stock</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>20097</td>
<td>D</td>
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Explanation of Responses:
(1) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 3, 2010
(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 ($18.50). On December 1, 2010, the exercise price was $23.2699.

Reporting Owners

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Signatures

/s/ Heidi Miller, by power of attorney 12/1/2010

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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