1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Huang Tao

(Last) Huang Tao
(First) (Middle)

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)

12/2/2010

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

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


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>Code</th>
<th>Amount</th>
<th>Price</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>12/2/2010</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>$23.2725</td>
</tr>
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<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>12/2/2010</td>
<td>S</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>$50.00</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 Derivate Security</th>
<th>Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Code</th>
<th>Amount</th>
<th>Exercisable Date</th>
<th>Expiration Date</th>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Amount or Number of Shares</th>
<th>Ownership Form of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Employee Stock Option</td>
<td>$23.2725</td>
<td>12/2/2010</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>5/2/2015</td>
<td></td>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>Direct (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 2, 2010, the exercise price was $23.2725

Reporting Owners

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<th>Reporting Owner Name / Address</th>
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<td>C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC.</td>
<td>10% Owner</td>
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<td>Officer</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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Signatures

/s/ Heidi Miller, by power of attorney       12/2/2010

** 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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