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 *

FRANCIS CHERYL A
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)

2/24/2011

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

5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

_ X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
_ ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

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

7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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

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<tr>
<th>Title of Security</th>
<th>Date Trans.</th>
<th>Trans. Code</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Deemed Execution Date, if any</th>
<th>Acquired (D) or Disposed of (A)</th>
<th>Securities Acquired 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>Common Stock</td>
<td>2/24/2011</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>$14.70</td>
<td>11858</td>
<td>D</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>2/24/2011</td>
<td>S (1)</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>D</td>
<td>$58.20</td>
<td>11358</td>
<td>D</td>
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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<tr>
<th>Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)</th>
<th>Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Date Trans.</th>
<th>Trans. Code</th>
<th>Deemed Execution Date, if any</th>
<th>Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</th>
<th>Date Exercisable and Expiration Date</th>
<th>Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)</th>
<th>Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)</td>
<td>$14.70</td>
<td>2/24/2011</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>(2)</td>
<td>12/1/2014</td>
<td>Common Stock 500 $0 10500 D</td>
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<td></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 August 11, 2009.

Signatures
/s/ Heidi Miller, by power of attorney  2/24/2011

** 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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