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 *
   
   Sturm Paul W
   
   C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 225 WEST WACKER DRIVE
   
   CHICAGO, IL 60606

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)
   
   1/3/2008

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>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, 4 and 5)</th>
<th>5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>1/3/2008</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>60000 D</td>
<td>$2.00</td>
<td>184699</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 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. 4)</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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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)</td>
<td>$2.00</td>
<td>1/3/2008</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>60000 (A) (D)</td>
<td>1/8/2008</td>
<td>Common Stock 60000</td>
<td>$0</td>
<td>0 0 D</td>
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Explanation of Responses:


Reporting Owners

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<th>Reporting Owner</th>
<th>Relationships</th>
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<tr>
<td>Sturm Paul W</td>
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Signatures

/s/ Heidi Miller, by power of attorney  1/7/2008
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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