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 *
   Cooley Richard Scott
   (Last) (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)
   8/15/2009

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

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

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

Common Stock 8/15/2009 F 266 D $44.41 22692 D

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

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<th>Title of Security</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Trans. Code</th>
<th>Amount (A) or (D)</th>
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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<th>Title of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Conversion or Exercise Price (Instr. 3)</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Trans. Code (Instr. 8)</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 (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. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (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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Explanation of Responses:

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Cooley Richard Scott
C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 22 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60602

Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Heidi Miller, by power of attorney 8/18/2009

** 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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