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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **October 19, 2012**

**MORNINGSTAR, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Illinois**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-51280**

(Commission  
File Number)

**36-3297908**

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**22 West Washington Street  
Chicago, Illinois**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**60602**

(Zip Code)

**(312) 696-6000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On October 19, 2012, Morningstar, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it has completed the sale of its investor relations business to UK-based Investis, a leading specialist in digital corporate communications for public companies. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MORNINGSTAR, INC.

Date: October 19, 2012

By: /s/ Richard E. Robbins  
Name: Richard E. Robbins  
Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

**News Release**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****Morningstar Completes Sale of UK Investor Relations Services Business to Investis**

CHICAGO, Oct. 19, 2012—Morningstar, Inc. (Nasdaq: MORN), a leading provider of independent investment research, has completed the sale of its Investor Relations Services business to UK-based Investis, a leading specialist in digital corporate communications for public companies. Terms were not disclosed.

The Investor Relations Services business designs, builds, hosts, and maintains investor relations pages and corporate web sites for more than 550 companies. Morningstar acquired the investor relations business in 2008 as part of its acquisition of certain Hemscott businesses in the UK.

**About Morningstar, Inc.**

Morningstar, Inc. is a leading provider of independent investment research in North America, Europe, Australia, and Asia. The company offers an extensive line of products and services for individuals, financial advisors, and institutions. Morningstar provides data on more than 385,000 investment offerings, including stocks, mutual funds, and similar vehicles, along with real-time global market data on more than 8 million equities, indexes, futures, options, commodities, and precious metals, in addition to foreign exchange and Treasury markets. Morningstar also offers investment management services through its registered investment advisor subsidiaries and has more than \$186 billion in assets under advisement and management as of June 30, 2012. The company has operations in 27 countries.

**About Investis**

Investis is Europe's leading specialist in digital corporate communications for public companies. Our services include corporate websites, social media solutions, apps and mobile sites, video and webcasting, website tools and integrated online reporting.

Investis works with over 1,000 companies in 30 countries, from the smallest companies to the largest, including more than 50% of the FTSE100. The company has offices in the UK, Germany, Italy, Finland and India.

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