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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Robbins Richard E

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 225  
WEST WACKER DRIVE  
(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/02/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
General Counsel and Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/02/2008		M		4,000	A		\$ 35.6056 (2)
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S(3)		540	D		\$ 70 14,688
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S(3)		21	D		\$ 70.02 14,667
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S(3)		91	D		\$ 70.11 14,576
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S(3)		126	D		\$ 70.12 14,450

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Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	63	D	\$ 70.15	14,387	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	95	D	\$ 70.16	14,292	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	53	D	\$ 70.19	14,239	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	63	D	\$ 70.21	14,176	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	21	D	\$ 70.23	14,155	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	148	D	\$ 70.25	14,007	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	84	D	\$ 70.26	13,923	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	105	D	\$ 70.27	13,818	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	190	D	\$ 70.28	13,628	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	168	D	\$ 70.29	13,460	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	105	D	\$ 70.3	13,355	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	42	D	\$ 70.31	13,313	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	189	D	\$ 70.32	13,124	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	21	D	\$ 70.33	13,103	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	21	D	\$ 70.34	13,082	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	21	D	\$ 70.35	13,061	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	21	D	\$ 70.37	13,040	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	126	D	\$ 70.4	12,914	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	21	D	\$ 70.41	12,893	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	21	D	\$ 70.44	12,872	D
	05/02/2008	<u>S(3)</u>	84	D	\$ 70.45	12,788	D

Common Stock							
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S <sup>(3)</sup>	106	D	\$ 70.46	12,682	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S <sup>(3)</sup>	42	D	\$ 70.47	12,640	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S <sup>(3)</sup>	84	D	\$ 70.48	12,556	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S <sup>(3)</sup>	106	D	\$ 70.49	12,450	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.6056 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/02/2008		M	4,000	<sup>(1)</sup> 09/15/2015	Common Stock	4,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Robbins Richard E C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC. 225 WEST WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606			General Counsel and Secretary	

## Signatures

Heidi T. Miller, by power of  
attorney

05/05/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The options become exercisable in four equal installments on September 30, 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2009.
  - (2) 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 (\$31.90).
  - (3) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 19, 2007.

### Remarks:

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