

Morningstar, Inc.
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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 *
Phillips Donald James II

(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)
11/06/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Managing Director

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/06/2008		M	300 A \$ 14.13	357,902	D	
Common Stock	11/06/2008		M	9,500 A \$ 2.77	367,402	D	
Common Stock					32,500	I	By GRAT
Common Stock	11/06/2008		S ⁽¹⁾	100 D \$ 35.01	367,302	D	
Common Stock	11/06/2008		S ⁽¹⁾	200 D \$ 35.02	367,102	D	

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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 Acquired (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)	\$ 14.13	11/06/2008		M	300	(2) 05/01/2010	Common Stock	300
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.77	11/06/2008		M	9,500	(2) 02/15/2009	Common Stock	9,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Phillips Donald James II C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC. 225 WEST WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606	X		Managing Director	

Signatures

/s/ Heidi Miller, by power of attorney

11/07/2008

__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 sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 9, 2006.

(2) The options became exercisable in four equal installments on May 1, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004.

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