

Morningstar, Inc.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â Cooley Richard Scott (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., Â 225 WEST WACKER DRIVE (Street) CHICAGO, Â IL Â 60606 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/10/2007	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Morningstar, Inc. [MORN]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Chief Financial Officer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock (Restricted Stock Units) ⁽¹⁴⁾	675	D	Â
Common Stock (Restricted Stock Units) ⁽¹⁵⁾	809	D	Â
Common Stock	155	D	Â

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	06/30/2008	Common Stock	783	\$ 2.77	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(2)</u>	12/01/2008	Common Stock	828	\$ 2.77	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(3)</u>	06/30/2009	Common Stock	765	\$ 10.98	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(4)</u>	12/01/2009	Common Stock	774	\$ 10.98	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(5)</u>	05/01/2010	Common Stock	5,500	\$ 14.13	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(6)</u>	05/01/2011	Common Stock	6,500	\$ 14.13	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(7)</u>	05/01/2011	Common Stock	1,000	\$ 14.13	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(8)</u>	05/01/2012	Common Stock	1,500	\$ 10.95	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(9)</u>	05/01/2013	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 8.57	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(10)</u>	12/01/2014	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 16.4505 <u>(12)</u>	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(11)</u>	05/02/2015	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 20.3196 <u>(13)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cooley Richard Scott C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC. 225 WEST WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606	Â	Â	Â Chief Financial Officer	Â

Signatures

/s/ Richard Robbins, by power of attorney

08/13/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 became exercisable in five installments. On June 30, 1999 and 2000, 156 options vested. On June 30, 2001, 2002, and 2003, 157 options vested.
- (2) The options became exercisable in five installments. On December 1, 1999 and 2000, 165 options vested. On December 1, 2001, 2002, and 2003, 166 options vested.
- (3) The options became exercisable in five equal installments on June 30, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004.
- (4) The options became exercisable in five installments. On December 1, 2000, 154 options vested. On December 1, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004, 155 options vested.
- (5) The options became exercisable in four equal installments on May 1, 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2004.
- (6) The options became exercisable in four equal installments on May 1, 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005.
- (7) The options became exercisable in four equal installments on May 1, 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005.
- (8) The options became exercisable in four equal installments on May 1, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006.
- (9) The options became exercisable in four equal installments on May 1, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007.
- (10) The options become exercisable in four equal installments. On May 1, 2005, 2006, and 2007, 2,500 options vested. The remaining 2,500 options will vest on May 1, 2008.
- (11) The options become exercisable in four equal installments. On May 1, 2006 and 2007, 2,500 options vested. The remaining 5,000 options will vest in equal installments on May 1, 2008 and 2009.
- (12) The exercise price is determined by the daily indexing of the fair market value of the shares on the grant date (\$14.70) against the 10-Year U.S. Treasury Bond Rate on November 15, 2004, compounded annually. Therefore the exercise price is subject to change throughout the life of the option. On August 10, 2007, the exercise price was \$16.4505.
- (13) The exercise price is determined by the daily indexing of the fair market value of the shares on the grant date (\$18.50) against the 10-Year U.S. Treasury Bond Rate on May 2, 2005, compounded annually. Therefore the exercise price is subject to change throughout the life of the option. On August 10, 2007, the exercise price was \$20.3196.
- (14) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Morningstar, Inc. common stock. The restricted stock units vest in four annual installments beginning May 15, 2007.
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