Morningstar, Inc. Form 4 July 31, 2007

## FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Williams David W Issuer Symbol Morningstar, Inc. [MORN] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 225 07/30/2007 below) WEST WACKER DRIVE Managing Director, Design (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CHICAGO, IL 60606 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo	Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (D) str. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		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)
Common Stock	07/30/2007		M	700	A	\$ 20.2874 (3)	26,168	D	
Common Stock	07/30/2007		S(1)	41	D	\$ 48.54	26,127	D	
Common Stock	07/30/2007		S <u>(1)</u>	82	D	\$ 48.6	26,045	D	
Common Stock	07/30/2007		S(1)	41	D	\$ 48.61	26,004	D	
Common Stock	07/30/2007		S <u>(1)</u>	41	D	\$ 48.65	25,963	D	

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Common Stock	07/30/2007	S(1)	42	D	\$ 48.8	25,921	D
Common Stock	07/30/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	41	D	\$ 48.81	25,880	D
Common Stock	07/30/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	41	D	\$ 48.82	25,839	D
Common Stock	07/30/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	41	D	\$ 48.84	25,798	D
Common Stock	07/30/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	42	D	\$ 48.87	25,756	D
Common Stock	07/30/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	206	D	\$ 49.1	25,550	D
Common Stock	07/30/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	41	D	\$ 49.3	25,509	D
Common Stock	07/30/2007	S(1)	41	D	\$ 49.47	25,468	D

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 $\label{thm:convertible} \textbf{Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned} \\ \textit{(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)}$ 

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.2874 (3)	07/30/2007		M	700	(2)	05/02/2015	Common Stock	700

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Williams David W C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC. 225 WEST WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606

Managing Director, Design

## **Signatures**

/s/ Richard Robbins, by power of attorney

07/31/2007

\*\*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 March 21, 2007.
- (2) The options became exercisable in four equal installments on May 2, 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2009.
- 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 (\$18.50). On July 27. 2007, the exercise price was \$20.2874.

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