Morningstar, Inc.
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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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	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol Morningstar, Inc. [MORN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2008	(Check all applicable) __X__ Director _____ 10% Owner __X__ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below) below) Managing Director
C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 225 WEST WACKER DRIVE		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
CHICAGO, IL 60606		
(City) (State) (Zip)		

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	01/03/2008		M		17,500	A	$ 2.77	324,036	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2008		S(1)		100	D	$ 74.76	323,936	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2008		S(1)		300	D	$ 74.85	323,636	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2008		S(1)		300	D	$ 74.9	323,336	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2008		S(1)		300	D	$ 74.92	323,036	D	

Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 74.94	322,736	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	100	D	$ 75	322,636	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.06	322,336	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.1	322,036	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.11	321,736	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.12	321,436	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.13	321,136	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	63	D	$ 75.15	321,073	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.18	320,773	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	457	D	$ 75.19	320,316	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.21	320,016	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	237	D	$ 75.25	319,779	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	400	D	$ 75.27	319,379	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.29	319,079	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.3	318,779	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	507	D	$ 75.32	318,272	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	200	D	$ 75.34	318,072	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	700	D	$ 75.35	317,372	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.36	317,072	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.37	316,772	D
	01/03/2008	S[(1)]	43	D		316,729	D

Common Stock						$ 75.38		
Common Stock	01/03/2008		S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.4	316,429	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008		S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.41	316,129	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008		S[(1)]	700	D	$ 75.42	315,429	D
Common Stock	01/03/2008		S[(1)]	300	D	$ 75.44	315,129	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 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)	$ 2.77	01/03/2008		M		17,500 [(2)]		[(3)]	02/15/2009	Common	17,500

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

01/07/2008

**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)   Pursuant to the terms of a Deferred Compensation Agreement entered into between Morningstar, Inc. and the reporting person, upon the exercise of these options Morningstar, Inc. will pay to the reporting person $2.69 per share in the form of cash.

(3)   The options became immediately exercisable on the grant date, February 15, 1999.

Remarks:

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