

Huang Tao  
 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 \*  
 Huang Tao

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 22  
 WEST WASHINGTON STREET

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60602

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/27/2010

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)

Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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	12/27/2010		M		1,000	A	\$ 23.3377 (3)
Common Stock	12/27/2010		S(1)		1,000	D	\$ 52.96
Common Stock	12/28/2010		M		1,000	A	\$ 23.3403 (4)
Common Stock	12/28/2010		S(1)		1,000	D	\$ 52.8



## Explanation of Responses:

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- \*\* 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 3, 2010
- (2) The options became exercisable in 4 equal installments on May 2, 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2009.
- (3) 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 December 27, 2010, the exercise price was \$23.3377.
- (4) 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 December 28, 2010, the exercise price was \$23.3403.

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