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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

A Kaplan Steven N

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

05/02/2005

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Morningstar, Inc. [MORN]

1101 EAST 58TH STREET

(Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

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

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, Â ILÂ 60637

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

(I) (Instr. 5)

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect

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)

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

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Expiration Date Exercisable Date

Amount or Title Number of Shares

Security Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	01/09/2008	Common Stock	60,000	\$ 2	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	01/22/2009	Common Stock	12,000	\$ 2.77	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	01/28/2010	Common Stock	12,000	\$ 10.98	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	01/26/2011	Common Stock	12,000	\$ 14.13	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	01/28/2012	Common Stock	12,000	\$ 10.95	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	01/30/2013	Common Stock	12,000	\$ 8.57	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	12/01/2014	Common Stock	12,000	\$ 14.96 (4)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Kaplan Steven N 1101 EAST 58TH STREET CHICAGO, IL 60637	ÂX	Â	Â	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Peter Olson, by power of attorney

05/02/2005

**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) Immediately exercisable.
- (2) The option vests and becomes exercisable over a period of three years in equal annual installments beginning on the initial vesting date of January 30, 2004.
- (3) The option vests and becomes exercisable over a period of three years in equal annual installments beginning on the initial vesting date of January 27, 2005.
- 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 (4) 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 April, 30, 2005, the exercise price was \$14.96.

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