Morningstar, Inc. Form 4 July 18, 2006

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person |
|---|
| Boudos Martha Dustin |

(Middle)

C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC., 225 WEST WACKER DRIVE

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Morningstar, Inc. [MORN]

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

07/17/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Financial Officer

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) Tab | le I - Non-l | Derivative | 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) | | sed of | | 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 | 07/17/2006 | | M | 5,681 | A | \$ 10.95 | 18,882 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | | S(2) | 134 | D | \$ 37.5 | 18,748 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | | S(2) | 45 | D | \$ 37.55 | 18,703 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | | S(2) | 45 | D | \$ 37.56 | 18,658 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | | S(2) | 86 | D | \$ 37.57 | 18,572 | D | |

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| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 45 | D | \$ 37.58 | 18,527 | D |
|-----------------|------------|------|-----|---|---------------|--------|---|
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 134 | D | \$ 37.62 | 18,393 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 134 | D | \$ 37.73 | 18,259 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 45 | D | \$ 37.78 | 18,214 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 224 | D | \$ 37.79 | 17,990 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 330 | D | \$ 37.81 | 17,660 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 45 | D | \$ 37.8271 | 17,615 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 97 | D | \$ 37.83 | 17,518 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 122 | D | \$ 37.84 | 17,396 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 45 | D | \$ 37.85 | 17,351 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 60 | D | \$ 37.86 | 17,291 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 184 | D | \$ 37.87 | 17,107 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 76 | D | \$ 37.88 | 17,031 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 45 | D | \$ 37.89 | 16,986 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 90 | D | \$ 37.9 | 16,894 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 90 | D | \$ 37.91 | 16,806 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 45 | D | \$ 37.92 | 16,761 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 198 | D | \$ 37.93 | 16,563 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 134 | D | \$ 37.94 | 16,429 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 3 | D | \$ 37.95 | 16,426 | D |
| | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 220 | D | \$ 37.96 | 16,206 | D |

| Common Stock | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------|------|-----|---|---------------|--------|---|
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 143 | D | \$ 37.97 | 16,063 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 134 | D | \$ 37.98 | 15,929 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 134 | D | \$ 37.99 | 15,795 | D |
| Common Stock | 07/17/2006 | S(2) | 44 | D | \$ 37.9955 | 15,751 | D |

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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) | 4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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) | \$ 10.95 | 07/17/2006 | M | 5,681 | <u>(1)</u> | 05/01/2012 | Common Stock | 5,681 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |

Boudos Martha Dustin C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC. 225 WEST WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606

Chief Financial Officer

Reporting Owners 3

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Signatures

/s/ Rachel Felsenthal, by power of attorney

07/18/2006

**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 options became exercisable in four equal installments on May 1, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- (2) 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.

Remarks:

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