Morningstar, Inc. Form 4 April 25, 2007

### FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FRANCIS CHERYL A |                                   |          | 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 Tr      | ansaction                                       | (Cneck   | all applicable               | )        |  |
|  | INGSTAR, IN<br>CKER DRIVE         |          | (Month/D 04/25/20  | •                |   | _X_ Director<br>Officer (give ti<br>below)             |                              |          |  |
|  | (Street)                          |          | 4. If Amer   | ndment, Da       | te Original                                     | 6. Individual or Join                                  | nt/Group Filin               | g(Check  |  |
| CHICAGO,   | II. 60606                         |          | Filed(Mon  | th/Day/Year      | )   | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Or Form filed by Mo |                              |          |  |
| emerico,   | IL 00000                          |          |  |                  |   | Person   |                              |          |  |
| (City)   | (State)                           | (Zip)    | Table  | e I - Non-D      | erivative Securities Acq                        | uired, Disposed of,                                    | or Beneficial                | ly Owned |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security                                     | 2. Transaction D<br>(Month/Day/Ye |          |  | 3.<br>Transactio | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) |  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct |          |  |

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|--------------------------------------|---|---|-------------|---|------------------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Ionth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) |             | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) |                  |             | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|                                      |   |   | Code V      | Amount  | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price       | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                   |  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 04/25/2007                              |   | M           | 500   | A                | \$ 8.57     | 2,973  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 04/25/2007                              |   | S(2)        | 33  | D                | \$<br>53.07 | 2,940  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 04/25/2007                              |   | S(2)        | 100   | D                | \$<br>53.09 | 2,840  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 04/25/2007                              |   | S(2)        | 15  | D                | \$<br>53.11 | 2,825  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 04/25/2007                              |   | S(2)        | 19  | D                | \$<br>53.12 | 2,806  | D  |   |

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| Common<br>Stock | 04/25/2007 | S(2) | 100 | D | \$<br>53.15 | 2,706 | D |
|-----------------|------------|------|-----|---|-------------|-------|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 04/25/2007 | S(2) | 133 | D | \$<br>53.16 | 2,573 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 04/25/2007 | S(2) | 100 | D | \$<br>53.48 | 2,473 | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transacti<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Derivative | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ties red sed 3, 4, |                 | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. P<br>Derr<br>Seco<br>(Ins |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|------------|---|-----------------|---|--|------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                | (A) (D)    | Date<br>Exercisable                                 | Expiration Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |                              |
| Empoyee<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)     | \$ 8.57   | 04/25/2007                              |   | M                                     | 500        | <u>(1)</u>  | 07/19/2012      | Common<br>Stock   | 500                                    |                              |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| FRANCIS CHERYL A<br>C/O MORNINGSTAR, INC.<br>225 WEST WACKER DRIVE<br>CHICAGO, IL 60606 | X             |           |         |       |  |  |  |

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### **Signatures**

/s/ Heidi Miller, by power of attorney

04/25/2007

\*\*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 options became exercisable in three equal installments on July 19, 2003, 2004 and 2005.
- (2) 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.

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