

Morningstar, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
February 17, 2015

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **February 13, 2015**

**MORNINGSTAR, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| <b>Illinois</b>                                   | <b>000-51280</b>            | <b>36-3297908</b>                       |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission<br>File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |

**22 West Washington Street**

**Chicago, Illinois**

**60602**

(Zip Code)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

**(312) 696-6000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On February 13, 2015, Morningstar issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors has approved a quarterly cash dividend of 19 cents per share payable April 30, 2015 to shareholders of record as of April 10, 2015. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits:

| Exhibit No. | Description                            |
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| 99.1        | Press Release dated February 13, 2015. |

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MORNINGSTAR, INC.

Date: February 17, 2015

By: /s/ Richard E. Robbins  
Name: Richard E. Robbins  
Title: General Counsel and Corporate Secretary