FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Brierwood David C</u>                  |                            |    |                              |                                                             | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  MSCI Inc. [ MSCI ]         |                                                          |                                                                  |                                   |         |                                                            |                     |                                                                                                 |                                                                   | (Check                                                             | all app<br>Dired                                              | ionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue<br>all applicable)<br>Director 10% Own<br>Officer (give title Other (spe                  |                                                                   |                                                     |            |
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|                                                                                    | (Fi<br>D TRADE<br>ENWICH : |    |                              | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2013 |                                                                                |                                                          |                                                                  |                                   |         |                                                            |                     |                                                                                                 | X                                                                 | belov                                                              |                                                               |                                                                                                                                   |                                                                   |                                                     |            |
| (Street) NEW YORK NY 10007                                                         |                            |    |                              |                                                             |                                                                                | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |                                                                  |                                   |         |                                                            |                     |                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                                                    | 6. Indiv<br>Line)<br>X                                        | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person |                                                                   |                                                     |            |
| (City)                                                                             | (3)                        |    |                              | n-Deriv                                                     | vative                                                                         | Sec                                                      | ruritie                                                          | es Ac                             | nuired  | Dis                                                        | nosed o             | f o                                                                                             | r Ber                                                             | efic                                                               | ially                                                         | Owne                                                                                                                              | -d                                                                |                                                     |            |
| Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day |                            |    |                              | action                                                      | tion 2A. Deemed Execution Date,                                                |                                                          |                                                                  | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr. |         | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |                     |                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                                                    | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following |                                                                                                                                   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |            |
|                                                                                    |                            |    |                              |                                                             |                                                                                |                                                          |                                                                  |                                   | Code    | v                                                          | Amount              |                                                                                                 | (A) or<br>(D)                                                     | Pric                                                               | Price                                                         |                                                                                                                                   | ted<br>action(s)<br>3 and 4)                                      |                                                     | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock 02/11/2                                                               |                            |    |                              |                                                             |                                                                                | :013                                                     |                                                                  |                                   | А       |                                                            | 51,460(1)           |                                                                                                 | A                                                                 | \$0                                                                |                                                               | 872,282                                                                                                                           |                                                                   | D                                                   |            |
| Common Stock 02/11/2                                                               |                            |    |                              |                                                             | /2013                                                                          | .013                                                     |                                                                  | A                                 |         | 1,543(2                                                    | !)                  | A                                                                                               | \$0                                                               |                                                                    | 873,825                                                       |                                                                                                                                   | D                                                                 |                                                     |            |
| Common Stock 02/11/2                                                               |                            |    |                              |                                                             | /2013                                                                          | 2013                                                     |                                                                  | A                                 |         | 7,257(3                                                    | 3)                  | A \$0                                                                                           |                                                                   | \$ <mark>0</mark>                                                  | 881,082                                                       |                                                                                                                                   | D                                                                 |                                                     |            |
| Common Stock 02/11/2                                                               |                            |    |                              |                                                             | /2013                                                                          |                                                          |                                                                  | F                                 |         | 30,537(4)                                                  |                     | D                                                                                               | \$3                                                               | \$33.68                                                            |                                                               | 50,545                                                                                                                            | D                                                                 |                                                     |            |
|                                                                                    |                            | Та |                              |                                                             |                                                                                |                                                          |                                                                  |                                   |         |                                                            | sed of,<br>onvertib |                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                                                    |                                                               | vned                                                                                                                              |                                                                   |                                                     |            |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                |                            |    | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) | Instr.                                                      | 5. Nu<br>of<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) o<br>Disp<br>of (D<br>(Inst<br>and | 6. Date Expiration (Month/L                              | ar) Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instrand 4)  Amou |                                   | nstr. 3 | Deri<br>Secu<br>(Inst                                      |                     | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                                                               |                                                                                                                                   |                                                                   |                                                     |            |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Number of shares of common stock issued following the vesting of performance stock units ("PSUs") on February 11, 2013, upon certification by the MSCI Inc. Compensation Committee of the achievement of certain cumulative performance metrics for the 2010, 2011 and 2012 fiscal years.
- 2. Number of shares of common stock issued following the vesting of PSUs on February 11, 2013, upon certification by the Compensation Committee of the achievement of certain cumulative performance metrics for the 2011 and 2012 fiscal years.
- 3. Stock units vesting on December 31, 2013. Each stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock.
- 4. Represents shares reacquired by MSCI to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting and conversion to shares of 58,720 PSUs.

## Remarks:

/s/ Cecilia Aza, attorney-in-fact 02/13/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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