## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Pettit CD Baer   |   |  |         |           |                              | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MSCI Inc. [ MSCI ] |  |  |                       |        |               |   |                      | (Check all app<br>Direct<br>V Office                        |   | olicable)<br>ctor<br>er (give title   | 10% Owner give title Other (specify                               |  |
|--|---|--|---------|-----------|------------------------------|--|--|--|-----------------------|--------|---------------|---|----------------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) MSCI INC. 7 WORLD TRADE CENTER, 250 GREENWICH  |   |  |         |           |                              | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2020    |  |  |                       |        |               |   |                      | Λ   | President & COO   |   |   |  |
| ST   |   |  |         |           |                              | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)       |  |  |                       |        |               |   |                      | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |   |   |   |  |
| (Street) NEW YORK NY 10007   |   |  |         |           |                              |  |  |  |                       |        |               |   |                      | X   | Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |   |  |
| (City)   | (St   | ate) (                                     | Zip)    |           |                              |  |  |  |                       |        |               |   |                      |   |   |   |   |  |
|  |   | Tabl                                       | e I - N | on-Deriv  | ative                        | Sec  | uritie   | s Ac   | quire                 | d, Di  | sposed o      | f, or B   | enefic               | ially   | Owne  | ed  |   |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/N  |   |  |         |           | Execution Date,              |  | ate,   | 3. 4. Securities Disposed Of Code (Instr. 8) |                       |        |               |   | nd 5) Secur<br>Benet |   | icially<br>d 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) | Price   |                      | Trans   | action(s)<br>3 and 4)   |   | (Instr. 4)  |  |
| Common Stock 02/04/20  |   |  |         |           | 020                          | 20   |  |  | S                     |        | 1,010(1)      | D   | \$296                | )6.88 <sup>(2)</sup>  |   | 00,808  | D   |  |
| Common Stock 02/04/20  |   |  |         |           | 020                          | 20   |  |  | S                     |        | 933(1)        | D   | \$297                | 297.67 <sup>(3)</sup>                                       |   | 99,875  | D   |  |
| Common Stock 02/04/20  |   |  |         |           | )20                          |  |  |  |                       |        | 557(1)        | D   | \$298                | .59(4) 2  |   | 99,318  | D   |  |
| 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<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | if any  | ion Date, | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) | Instr.   | 5. Nu<br>of<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) or<br>Dispo<br>of (D)<br>(Instr<br>and 5 | ative<br>rities<br>ired<br>osed              | 6. Date Expira (Month | tion D |               | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)  Amount or Number of Title Shares |                      | -   |   | 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. This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 29, 2019.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$296.29 to \$297.25. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide, upon request, to the SEC staff, the issuer or the security holders of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which each transaction was effected.
- 3. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$297.30 to \$298.22. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide, upon request, to the SEC staff, the issuer or the security holders of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which each transaction was effected.
- 4. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$298.32 to \$299.08. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide, upon request, to the SEC staff, the issuer or the security holders of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which each transaction was effected.

# Remarks:

/s/ Cecilia Aza, attorney-in-fact 02/06/2020

\*\* 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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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