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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Handy Alice</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>MSCI INC.</u> <u>ONE CHASE MANHATTAN PLAZA, 44TH FL</u> _____ (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10005</u> _____ (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MSCI Inc. [MSCI]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/02/2012</u> | | |
| | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |
| 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|-------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 05/02/2012 | | A | | 2,414 ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$0 | 9,326 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/02/2012 | | A | | 2,556 ⁽²⁾ | A | \$0 | 11,882 | D | |

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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Pursuant to the MSCI Inc. Independent Directors Deferral Plan ("Deferral Plan"), the Reporting Person has elected to defer receipt of the shares until the 60th day after such Reporting Person's "separation from service" as a director.
- Restricted Stock Units vesting May 2, 2013. Pursuant to the Deferral Plan, the Reporting Person has elected to defer receipt of the shares issuable upon vesting until the 60th day after such Reporting Person's "separation from service" as a director.

Remarks:

/s/ Alice W. Handy 05/04/2012
 ** 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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