SEC Form 4

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person[*] Pettit CD Baer (Last) (First) (Middle) MSCI INC. ONE CHASE MANHATTAN PLAZA, 44TH FL (Street) NEW YORK NY 10005 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol MSCI Inc. [MSCI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2012 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Head of Client Coverage 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X 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			
Class A Common Stock	02/02/2012		A		21,369[(1)]	A	$0	187,084	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)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes (i) 14,246 restricted stock units (RSUs) vesting and converting to shares at a rate of 33 1/3% on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date and (ii) 7,123 performance stock units (PSUs) representing the minimum payout related to the grant of 14,246 PSUs subject to time- and performance-vesting. The PSUs time-vest at a rate of 50% on each of December 31, 2013 and 2014 and performance-vest (within a range of 50% and 150%) based on the achievement of certain cumulative performance metrics for the 2012 and 2013 fiscal years. The first tranche of PSUs generally converts to shares no earlier than January 1 and no later than March 15, 2014 and the second tranche of PSUs generally converts to shares no earlier than January 1 and no later than March 15, 2015. Each RSU and PSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of MSCI class A common stock.

Remarks:

/s/ Cecilia Aza, attorney-in-fact 02/03/2012

** 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).

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