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Amount of Registration Maximum Aggregate Title of Each Class of Securities Offered Offering Price Fee Senior Floating Rate Notes due 2024 \$6,500,000 \$837.20

Morgan Stanley

June 2014

Pricing Supplement No. 1,455 Registration Statement No. 333-178081 Dated June 24, 2014 Filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2)

INTEREST RATE STRUCTURED INVESTMENTS

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As further described below, interest will accrue and be payable on the notes quarterly, in arrears, (i) from the original issue date to December 27, 2015: at a rate of 3.00% per annum and (ii) from December 27, 2015 to maturity: at a variable rate equal to 3-Month USD LIBOR plus 1.00%, subject to the minimum interest rate of 0.00% per annum and the applicable maximum interest rate.

All payments are subject to the credit risk of Morgan Stanley. If Morgan Stanley defaults on its obligations, you could lose some or all of your investment. These securities are not secured obligations and you will not have any security interest in, or otherwise have any access to, any underlying reference asset or assets.

FINAL TERMS

Issuer: Morgan Stanley Aggregate principal \$6,500,000 amount: Issue price: \$1,000 per note Stated principal amount: \$1,000 per note

Pricing date: June 24, 2014

Original issue date: June 27, 2014 (3 business days after the pricing date)

Maturity date: June 27, 2024 Interest accrual date: June 27, 2014

The payment at maturity per note will be the stated principal amount plus accrued Payment at maturity:

and unpaid interest, if any

3-Month USD-LIBOR-BBA. Please see "Additional Provisions—Reference Rate" Reference rate:

Interest rate: From and including the original issue date to but excluding December 27, 2015:

3.00% per annum

From and including December 27, 2015 to but excluding the maturity date (the

"floating interest rate period"):

Reference rate plus 1.00%; subject to the minimum interest rate and the

applicable maximum interest rate.

For the purpose of determining the level of the reference rate applicable to an interest payment period, the level of the reference rate will be determined two (2) London banking days prior to the related interest reset date at the start of such

interest payment period (each an "interest determination date").

Interest for each interest payment period during the floating interest rate period is subject to the minimum interest rate of 0.00% per annum and the applicable

maximum interest rate for such interest payment period.

Interest payment period: Interest payment period

end dates:

Quarterly Unadjusted Interest payment dates: Each March 27, June 27, September 27 and December 27, beginning September

27, 2014; provided that if any such day is not a business day, that interest payment will be made on the next succeeding business day and no adjustment will be made

to any interest payment made on that succeeding business day.

Interest reset dates: Each March 27, June 27, September 27 and December 27, beginning December

27, 2015; provided that such interest reset dates shall not be adjusted for non-

business days.

Day-count convention: 30/360

Minimum interest rate: 0.00% per annum during the floating interest rate period

Maximum interest rate: During the floating interest rate period:

From and including December 27, 2015 to but excluding June 27, 2018:

4.00% per annum

• From and including June 27, 2018 to but excluding June 27, 2021: 5.00%

per annum

From and including June 27, 2021 to but excluding the maturity date:

6.00% per annum

Redemption: Not applicable Specified currency: U.S. dollars

CUSIP / ISIN: 61760QEJ9 / US61760QEJ94

Book-entry or certificated Book-entry

note:

Business day: New York

Agent: Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC ("MS & Co."), a wholly owned subsidiary of Morgan

Stanley. See "Supplemental Information Concerning Plan of Distribution; Conflicts

of Interest."

Calculation agent: Morgan Stanley Capital Services LLC

Trustee: The Bank of New York Mellon

Estimated value on the

pricing date:

Commissions and issue

price: Price to public Agent's commissions⁽¹⁾ Proceeds to issuer⁽²⁾

\$982.40 per note. See "The Notes" on page 2.

 Per note
 \$1,000
 \$12.50
 \$987.50

 Total
 \$6,500,000
 \$81,250
 \$6,418,750

The notes involve risks not associated with an investment in ordinary debt securities. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 4.

The Securities and Exchange Commission and state securities regulators have not approved or disapproved these securities, or determined if this pricing supplement or the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

You should read this document together with the related prospectus supplement and prospectus, each of which can be accessed via the hyperlinks below.

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The notes are not bank deposits and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency, nor are they obligations of, or guaranteed by, a bank.

⁽¹⁾ Morgan Stanley or one of our affiliates will pay varying discounts and commissions to dealers, including Morgan Stanley Wealth Management (an affiliate of the agent) and their financial advisors, of up to \$12.50 per note depending on market conditions. See "Supplemental Information Concerning Plan of Distribution; Conflicts of Interest." For additional information, see "Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest)" in the accompanying prospectus supplement.

⁽²⁾ See "Use of Proceeds and Hedging" on page 6.

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The Notes

The notes are debt securities of Morgan Stanley. From the original issue date until December 27, 2015, interest on the notes will accrue and be payable on the notes quarterly, in arrears, at 3.00% per annum, and thereafter, during the floating interest rate period, interest on the notes will accrue and be payable on the notes quarterly, in arrears, at a variable rate equal to 3-Month USD LIBOR *plus* 1.00%, subject to the minimum interest rate of 0.00% per annum and the applicable maximum interest rate. We describe the basic features of these notes in the sections of the accompanying prospectus called "Description of Debt Securities—Floating Rate Debt Securities" and prospectus supplement called "Description of Notes," subject to and as modified by the provisions described below. All payments on the notes are subject to the credit risk of Morgan Stanley.

The stated principal amount and the issue price of each note is \$1,000. This price includes costs associated with issuing, selling, structuring and hedging the notes, which are borne by you, and, consequently, the estimated value of the notes on the pricing date is less than the issue price. We estimate that the value of each note on the pricing date is \$982.40.

What goes into the estimated value on the pricing date?

In valuing the notes on the pricing date, we take into account that the notes comprise both a debt component and a performance-based component linked to LIBOR. The estimated value of the notes is determined using our own pricing and valuation models, market inputs and assumptions relating to LIBOR, instruments based on LIBOR, volatility and other factors including current and expected interest rates, as well as an interest rate related to our secondary market credit spread, which is the implied interest rate at which our conventional fixed rate debt trades in the secondary market.

What determines the economic terms of the notes?

In determining the economic terms of the notes, including the interest rate and the maximum interest rate applicable to each interest payment period during the floating interest rate period, we use an internal funding rate, which is likely to be lower than our secondary market credit spreads and therefore advantageous to us. If the issuing, selling, structuring and hedging costs borne by you were lower or if the internal funding rate were higher, one or more of the economic terms of the securities would be more favorable to you.

What is the relationship between the estimated value on the pricing date and the secondary market price of the notes?

The price at which MS & Co. purchases the notes in the secondary market, absent changes in market conditions, including those related to interest rates and LIBOR, may vary from, and be lower than, the estimated value on the pricing date, because the secondary market price takes into account our secondary market credit spread as well as the bid-offer spread that MS & Co. would charge in a secondary market transaction of this type, the costs of unwinding the related hedging transactions and other factors.

MS & Co. may, but is not obligated to, make a market in the notes and, if it once chooses to make a market, may cease doing so at any time.

Additional Provisions

Reference Rate

Securities—Floating Rate Debt Securities" and "—Base Rates" with an index maturity of 3 months and an index currency of U.S. dollars and as displayed on Reuters Page LIBOR01.

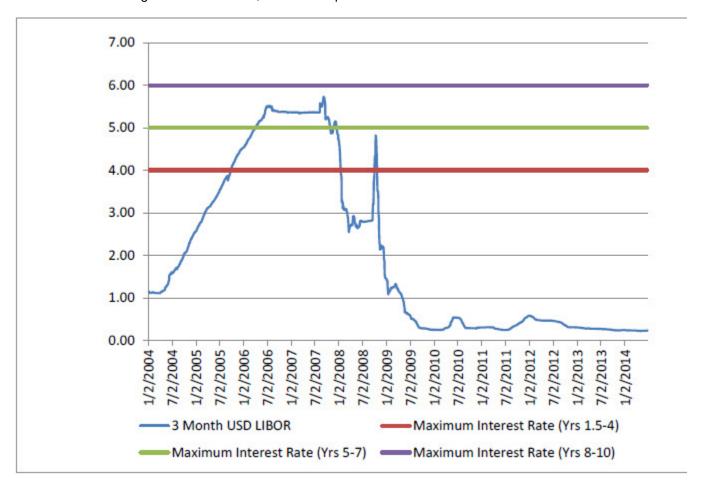
"LIBOR" as defined in the accompanying prospectus in the section called "Description of Debt

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Historical Information

The following graph sets forth the historical percentage levels of the reference rate for the period from January 1, 2004 to June 24, 2014. The historical levels of the reference rate do not reflect the 1.00% spread that will apply to the interest that accrues on the notes for each interest payment period during the floating interest rate period, and should not be taken as an indication of its future performance. We obtained the information in the graph below from Bloomberg Financial Markets, without independent verification.



^{*} The bold lines in the graph above represent the applicable maximum interest rate for each interest payment period during the floating interest rate period.

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Risk Factors

The notes involve risks not associated with an investment in ordinary floating rate notes. An investment in the notes entails significant risks not associated with similar investments in a conventional debt security, including, but not limited to, fluctuations in the reference rate, and other events that are difficult to predict and beyond the issuer's control. This section describes the most significant risks relating to the notes. For a complete list of risk factors, please see the accompanying prospectus supplement and prospectus. Investors should consult their financial and legal advisers as to the risks entailed by an investment in the notes and the suitability of the notes in light of their particular circumstances.

- The historical performance of the reference rate is not an indication of future performance. The historical performance of the reference rate should not be taken as an indication of future performance during the term of the notes. Changes in the levels of the reference rate will affect the trading price of the notes, but it is impossible to predict whether such levels will rise or fall.
- The amount of interest payable on the notes for each interest payment period during the floating interest rate period is capped. The interest rate on the notes for each interest payment period during the floating interest rate period is capped at the applicable maximum interest rate for such interest payment period. From and including December 27, 2015 to but excluding June 27, 2018, the interest rate on the notes for each interest payment is capped at the maximum interest rate of 4.00% per annum (equal to a maximum quarterly interest payment of \$10.00 for each \$1,000 stated principal amount of notes). From and including June 27, 2018 to but excluding June 27, 2021, the interest rate on the notes for each interest payment is capped at the maximum interest rate of 5.00% per annum (equal to a maximum quarterly interest payment of \$12.50 for each \$1,000 stated principal amount of notes). From and including June 27, 2021 to but excluding the maturity date, the interest rate on the notes for each interest payment is capped at the maximum interest rate of 6.00% per annum (equal to a maximum quarterly interest payment of \$15.00 for each \$1,000 stated principal amount of notes).
- Investors are subject to our credit risk, and any actual or anticipated changes to our credit ratings or credit spreads may adversely affect the market value of the notes. Investors are dependent on our ability to pay all amounts due on the notes on interest payment dates and at maturity and therefore investors are subject to our credit risk and to changes in the market's view of our creditworthiness. The notes are not guaranteed by any other entity. If we default on our obligations under the notes, your investment would be at risk and you could lose some or all of your investment. As a result, the market value of the notes prior to maturity will be affected by changes in the market's view of our creditworthiness. Any actual or anticipated decline in our credit ratings or increase in the credit spreads charged by the market for taking our credit risk is likely to adversely affect the value of the notes.
- The price at which the notes may be sold prior to maturity will depend on a number of factors and may be substantially less than the amount for which they were originally purchased. Some of these factors include, but are not limited to: (i) actual or anticipated changes in the level of the reference rate, (ii) volatility of the level of the reference rate, (iii) changes in interest and yield rates, (iv) any actual or anticipated changes in our credit ratings or credit spreads and (v) time remaining to maturity. Generally, the longer the time remaining to maturity and the more tailored the exposure, the more the market price of the notes will be affected by the other factors described in the preceding sentence. This can lead to significant adverse changes in the market price of securities like the notes. Depending on the actual or anticipated level of the reference rate, the market value of the notes is expected to decrease and you may receive substantially less than 100% of the issue price if you are able to sell your notes prior to maturity.

The rate we are willing to pay for securities of this type, maturity and issuance size is likely to be lower than the rate implied by our secondary market credit spreads and advantageous to us. Both the lower rate and the inclusion of costs associated with issuing, selling, structuring and hedging the notes in the original issue price reduce the economic terms of the notes, cause the estimated value of the notes to be less than the original issue price and will adversely affect secondary market prices. Assuming no change in market conditions or any other relevant factors, the prices, if any, at which dealers, including MS & Co., are willing to purchase the notes in secondary market transactions will likely be significantly lower than the original issue price, because secondary market prices will exclude the issuing, selling, structuring and hedging-related costs that are included in the original issue price and borne by you and because the secondary market prices will reflect our secondary market credit spreads and the bid-offer spread that any dealer would charge in a secondary market transaction of this type, the costs of unwinding the related hedging transactions as well as other factors.

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The inclusion of the costs of issuing, selling, structuring and hedging the notes in the original issue price and the lower rate we are willing to pay as issuer make the economic terms of the notes less favorable to you than they otherwise would be.

- The estimated value of the notes is determined by reference to our pricing and valuation models, which may differ from those of other dealers and is not a maximum or minimum secondary market price. These pricing and valuation models are proprietary and rely in part on subjective views of certain market inputs and certain assumptions about future events, which may prove to be incorrect. As a result, because there is no market-standard way to value these types of securities, our models may yield a higher estimated value of the notes than those generated by others, including other dealers in the market, if they attempted to value the notes. In addition, the estimated value on the pricing date does not represent a minimum or maximum price at which dealers, including MS & Co., would be willing to purchase your notes in the secondary market (if any exists) at any time. The value of your notes at any time after the date of this pricing supplement will vary based on many factors that cannot be predicted with accuracy, including our creditworthiness and changes in market conditions.
- The notes will not be listed on any securities exchange and secondary trading may be limited. The notes will not be listed on any securities exchange. Therefore, there may be little or no secondary market for the notes. MS & Co. may, but is not obligated to, make a market in the notes and, if it once chooses to make a market, may cease doing so at any time. When it does make a market, it will generally do so for transactions of routine secondary market size at prices based on its estimate of the current value of the notes, taking into account its bid/offer spread, our credit spreads, market volatility, the notional size of the proposed sale, the cost of unwinding any related hedging positions, the time remaining to maturity and the likelihood that it will be able to resell the notes. Even if there is a secondary market, it may not provide enough liquidity to allow you to trade or sell the notes easily. Since other broker-dealers may not participate significantly in the secondary market for the notes, the price at which you may be able to trade your notes is likely to depend on the price, if any, at which MS & Co. is willing to transact. If, at any time, MS & Co. were to cease making a market in the notes, it is likely that there would be no secondary market for the notes. Accordingly, you should be willing to hold your notes to maturity.
- Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, which is a subsidiary of the issuer, has determined the estimated value on the pricing date. MS & Co. has determined the estimated value of the notes on the pricing date.
- The issuer, its subsidiaries or affiliates may publish research that could affect the market value of the notes. They also expect to hedge the issuer's obligations under the notes. The issuer or one or more of its affiliates may, at present or in the future, publish research reports with respect to movements in interest rates generally or the reference rate specifically. This research is modified from time to time without notice and may express opinions or provide recommendations that are inconsistent with purchasing or holding the notes. Any of these activities may affect the market value of the notes. In addition, the issuer's subsidiaries expect to hedge the issuer's obligations under the notes and they may realize a profit from that expected hedging activity even if investors do not receive a favorable investment return under the terms of the notes or in any secondary market transaction.
- The calculation agent, which is a subsidiary of the issuer, will make determinations with respect to the notes. Any of these determinations made by the calculation agent may adversely affect the payout to investors. Determinations made by the calculation agent, including with respect to the reference rate, may adversely affect the payout to you on the notes.

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Use of Proceeds and Hedging

The proceeds we receive from the sale of the notes will be used for general corporate purposes. We will receive, in aggregate, \$1,000 per note issued, because, when we enter into hedging transactions in order to meet our obligations under the notes, our hedging counterparty will reimburse the cost of the Agent's commissions. The costs of the notes borne by you and described on page 2 above comprise the Agent's commissions and the cost of issuing, structuring and hedging the notes.

Supplemental Information Concerning Plan of Distribution; Conflicts of Interest

We expect to deliver the notes against payment therefor in New York, New York on June 27, 2014, which will be the third scheduled business day following the date of the pricing of the notes.

Morgan Stanley or one of our affiliates will pay varying discounts and commissions to dealers, including Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC ("Morgan Stanley Wealth Management") and their financial advisors, of up to \$12.50 per note depending on market conditions. The agent may distribute the notes through Morgan Stanley Wealth Management, as selected dealer, or other dealers, which may include Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc ("MSIP") and Bank Morgan Stanley AG. Morgan Stanley Wealth Management, MSIP and Bank Morgan Stanley AG are affiliates of Morgan Stanley.

MS & Co. is our wholly-owned subsidiary and it and other subsidiaries of ours expect to make a profit by selling, structuring and, when applicable, hedging the notes. When MS & Co. prices this offering of notes, it will determine the economic terms of the notes such that for each note the estimated value on the pricing date will be no lower than the minimum level described in "The Notes" on page 2.

MS & Co. will conduct this offering in compliance with the requirements of FINRA Rule 5121 of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc., which is commonly referred to as FINRA, regarding a FINRA member firm's distribution of the securities of an affiliate and related conflicts of interest. MS & Co. or any of our other affiliates may not make sales in this offering to any discretionary account.

Acceleration Amount in Case of an Event of Default

In case an event of default with respect to the notes shall have occurred and be continuing, the amount declared due and payable per note upon any acceleration of the notes shall be an amount in cash equal to the stated principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest.

Validity of the Notes

In the opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, as special counsel to Morgan Stanley, when the notes offered by this pricing supplement have been executed and issued by Morgan Stanley, authenticated by the trustee pursuant to the Senior Debt Indenture and delivered against payment as contemplated herein, such notes will be valid and binding obligations of Morgan Stanley, enforceable in accordance with their terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency and similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally, concepts of reasonableness and equitable principles of general applicability (including, without limitation, concepts of good faith, fair dealing and the lack of bad faith), *provided* that such counsel expresses no opinion as to the effect of fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer or similar provision of applicable law on the conclusions expressed above. This opinion is given as of the date hereof and is limited to the laws of the State of New York and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. In addition, this opinion is subject to customary assumptions about the trustee's authorization, execution and delivery of the Senior Debt Indenture and its authentication of the notes and the

the letter of such counsel dated November 21, 2011, which is Exhibit 5-a to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed by Morgan Stanley on November 21, 2011.

validity, binding nature and enforceability of the Senior Debt Indenture with respect to the trustee, all as stated in

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Tax Considerations

In the opinion of our counsel, Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, the notes will be treated as debt for U.S. federal tax purposes. Whether the notes should be treated as "variable rate debt instruments" or "contingent payment debt instruments," however, will depend, among other things, upon the facts at the time of issuance of the notes. Although there is uncertainty due to the maximum interest rates, based on market conditions as of the date hereof, it is expected that the notes should be treated as "variable rate debt instruments," in which case they will be taxed in the manner described in the section of the accompanying prospectus supplement called "United States Federal Taxation—Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders—Notes—Floating Rate Notes."

Assuming the treatment of the notes as "variable rate debt instruments" is respected, the notes will be treated as providing for a single fixed rate followed by a single qualified floating rate ("QFR"), as described in the sections of the accompanying prospectus supplement called "United States Federal Taxation—Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders—Notes—Floating Rate Notes—General" and "—Floating Rate Notes that Provide for Multiple Rates." Under applicable Treasury Regulations, solely for the purpose of determining any original issue discount ("OID") on the notes, the initial fixed rate is converted to a QFR (the "replaced QFR"). The replaced QFR must be such that the fair market value of the notes on the issue date is approximately the same as the fair market value of otherwise identical notes that provide for the replaced QFR (rather than the fixed rate) for the initial period. In determining the qualified stated interest ("QSI") and any OID on the notes, the notes must then be converted into "equivalent" fixed rate debt instruments by substituting each QFR provided under the terms of the notes (including the replaced QFR) with a fixed rate equal to the value of the QFR on the issue date of the notes. Under this method, the notes may be issued with OID.

A U.S. holder is required to include any QSI in income in accordance with the holder's regular method of accounting for U.S. federal income tax purposes. U.S. holders will be required to include OID in income for U.S. federal income tax purposes as it accrues, in accordance with a constant yield method based on a compounding of interest, without regard to the timing of the receipt of cash payments attributable to this income. As a result, if the notes have OID, a U.S. holder generally will recognize less taxable income than cash received during the period in which the notes pay a fixed rate of interest and will recognize more taxable income than cash received during the period in which the notes provide for interest at a floating rate. QSI allocable to an accrual period must be increased (or decreased) by the amount, if any, which the interest actually accrued or paid during an accrual period (including the fixed rate payments made during the initial period) exceeds (or is less than) the interest assumed to be accrued or paid during the accrual period under the "equivalent" fixed rate debt instrument. Both U.S. and non-U.S. holders should read the section of the accompanying prospectus supplement entitled "United States Federal Taxation."

If, based on market conditions as of the issue date, the notes are not treated as "variable rate debt instruments," they will instead be treated as "contingent payment debt instruments" for U.S. federal income tax purposes, as described in the section of the accompanying prospectus supplement called "United States Federal Taxation—Tax Consequences to U.S. Holders—Notes—Optionally Exchangeable Notes." Under this treatment, U.S. taxable investors generally would be subject to annual income tax based on the "comparable yield" (as defined in the accompanying prospectus supplement) of the notes, adjusted upward or downward to reflect the difference, if any, between the actual and the projected amount of any contingent payments on the notes. In addition, any gain recognized by U.S. taxable investors on the sale or exchange, or at maturity, of the notes generally would be treated as ordinary income. If the notes are treated as contingent payment debt instruments, the comparable yield and the projected payment schedule with respect to a note can be obtained by contacting Morgan Stanley at 212-761-4000.

If you are a non-U.S. investor, please read the section of the accompanying prospectus supplement called "United States Federal Taxation—Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders."

You should consult your tax adviser regarding all aspects of the U.S. federal tax consequences of an investment in the notes, as well as any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local or foreign taxing jurisdiction. Additionally, any consequences resulting from the Medicare tax on investment income are not discussed in this document or the accompanying prospectus supplement.

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The discussion in the preceding paragraphs under "Tax Considerations," and the discussion contained in the section entitled "United States Federal Taxation" in the accompanying prospectus supplement, insofar as they purport to describe provisions of U.S. federal income tax laws or legal conclusions with respect thereto, constitute the full opinion of Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP regarding the material U.S. federal tax consequences of an investment in the notes.

Contact Information

Morgan Stanley Wealth Management clients may contact their local Morgan Stanley branch office or our principal executive offices at 1585 Broadway, New York, New York 10036 (telephone number (866) 477-4776). All other clients may contact their local brokerage representative. Third-party distributors may contact Morgan Stanley Structured Investment Sales at (800) 233-1087.

Where You Can Find More Information

Morgan Stanley has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus, as supplemented by a prospectus supplement) with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, for the offering to which this pricing supplement relates. You should read the prospectus in that registration statement, the prospectus supplement and any other documents relating to this offering that Morgan Stanley has filed with the SEC for more complete information about Morgan Stanley and this offering. You may get these documents without cost by visiting EDGAR on the SEC web site at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, Morgan Stanley will arrange to send you the prospectus and the prospectus supplement if you so request by calling toll-free 800-584-6837.

You may access these documents on the SEC web site at www.sec.gov as follows:

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Terms used in this pricing supplement are defined in the prospectus supplement or in the prospectus. As used in this pricing supplement, the "Company," "we," "us" and "our" refer to Morgan Stanley.