ACUITY BRANDS INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MORGAN JOHN K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zin)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

01/16/2007

Director

10% Owner

C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170

PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE

2400

Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

below)

Executive VP

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City)

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitin(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	posed	of (D)	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)
Common Stock (1)	01/16/2007		M	12,669	A	\$ 16.5	119,363	D	
Common Stock (1)	01/16/2007		S	12,669	D	\$ 56	106,694	D	

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

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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. 5. Number of Transactio Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration I (Month/Day	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (1)	\$ 16.5	01/16/2007		M	12,66	9 (2)	10/23/2010	Common Stock	12,669	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
MORGAN JOHN K					
C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC.			Executive		
1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400			VP		
ATLANTA, GA 30309					

Signatures

John K. Morgan	01/18/2007			
**Signature of	Date			
Reporting Person				

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The transaction(s) reported herein was(were) effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 2, 2006.
- (2) This option vested in equal annual installments over a four-year period and was fully vested on October 24, 2004.

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