

ACUITY BRANDS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MURPHY KENYON W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170
PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE
2400**

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/20/20064. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below)

SVP & General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ 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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	07/20/2006		M	3,882	A \$ 37.85	42,472	D
Common Stock	07/20/2006		F	3,457	D \$ 42.5	39,015	D
Common Stock	07/20/2006		M	3,983	A \$ 23.65	42,998	D
Common Stock	07/20/2006		F	2,216	D \$ 42.5	40,782 ⁽¹⁾	D
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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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 23.65	07/20/2006		M	3,983	01/05/2004 01/04/2010	Common Stock 3,983
Employee Stock Option	\$ 37.85	07/20/2006		M	3,882	09/23/2001 09/22/2007	Common Stock 3,882

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MURPHY KENYON W
C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC.
1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400
ATLANTA, GA 30309

SVP & General Counsel

Signatures

Kenyon W. Murphy 07/21/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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 total direct shares owned following the reported transactions include 14,510 time-vesting restricted shares.

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