

MORGAN JOHN K

Form 4

October 10, 2006

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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

(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)  
10/05/2006

4. If Amendment, Date 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)

Executive Vice President

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 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)
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	10/05/2006		M	23,816 A	\$ 16.17	132,494	D
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	10/05/2006		S	23,816 D	\$ 48.5	108,678 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock					5,475	I	by 401(k)

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 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 16.17	10/05/2006		M		23,816		06/26/2005	06/25/2012	Common Stock	23,816

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

By: Jill A. Gilmer, under Power of Attorney For: John K.  
Morgan

10/10/2006

                     \*\*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 transaction(s) reported herein was(were) effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on February 9, 2006.
- (2) The total direct shares owned following the reported transactions include 74,041 time-vesting restricted shares.

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