ACUITY BRANDS INC Form 8-K May 11, 2017

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 11, 2017 (May 10, 2017)

ACUITY BRANDS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-1658358-2632672(State or other jurisdiction of<br/>Company or organization)(Commission File Number)(I.R.S. Employer<br/>Identification No.)

1170 Peachtree St., N.E., Suite 2300, Atlanta, GA30309(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 404-853-1400 None (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 10, 2017, Acuity Brands, Inc. (the "Company") announced the completion of the buyback of 2 million shares of the Company's common stock under the stock repurchase program previously authorized by the Board of Directors. A copy of the related press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which is incorporated herein by reference.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated May 10, 2017SignaturesPursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.Date: May 11, 2017

ACUITY BRANDS, INC.

By: /s/ Richard K. Reece Richard K. Reece Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer EXHIBIT INDEX 99.1 Press Release dated May 10, 2017 (Filed with the Commission as part of this Form 8-K).