MORGAN JOHN K

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

Executive Vice President

C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170

08/23/2005

Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City)

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/23/2005		Code V A	Amount 4,750 (1)	(D) A	Price \$ 0 (1)	89,912 (2)	D		
Common Stock							4,983	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration D	ate	Amount	t of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ing	Security	Secui
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	Derivative				Securities		(Instr. 3	and 4)		Own	
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	•				(A) or						Repo
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						Date	Expiration Date	or Title Number of			
						Exercisable					
				C + V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)			S	hares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

MORGAN JOHN K C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 ATLANTA, GA 30309

Executive Vice President

Signatures

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

Morgan 08/25/2005

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- 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).
- Issued upon the achievement of performance targets set forth in a Restricted Stock Award Agreement dated December 18, 2002, under
- (1) the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan. Shares remain restricted until November 30, 2006, and at that time are payable one-third in cash and two-thirds in shares.
- (2) The total direct shares owned following the reported transactions includes 60,070 time-vesting restricted shares.

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