ACUITY BRANDS INC Form 8-K July 19, 2007

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): July 17, 2007

ACUITY BRANDS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of Company

001-16583 (Commission File Number) 58-2632672 (I.R.S. Employer

or organization)

Identification No.)

1170 Peachtree St., N.E., Suite 2400, Atlanta, GA (Address of principal executive offices)

30309 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 404-853-1400

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- " 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 July 17, 2007, Acuity Brands, Inc. announced that it has acquired for cash substantially all the assets and assumed certain liabilities of Mark Lighting Fixture Company, Inc. (Mark Architectural Lighting). Mark Architectural Lighting, located in Edison, New Jersey, is a specification-oriented manufacturer of high-quality lighting products. The acquisition gives Acuity Brands Lighting a stronger presence in the Northeast, particularly the New York City metropolitan area, and is a complement to the Center for Light+Space, the recently opened Acuity Brands Lighting sales and marketing office in New York City. Mark Architectural Lighting, with fiscal year 2006 sales of over \$22 million, will continue operations in its existing facility, focusing on key customers and competencies.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated July 17, 2007 (Filed with the Commission as part of this Form 8-K).

Signatures

Pursuant 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: July 19, 2007

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 July 17, 2007 (Filed with the Commission as part of this Form 8-K).