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): October 8, 2007

ACUITY BRANDS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

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

 $Company\ or\ organization)$

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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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:

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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 October 8, 2007, Acuity Brands, Inc. announced that its Board of Directors has approved the completion of the previously announced spin-off of its specialty products business. Details of the spin-off transaction including the related date of record and distribution date are included within the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
 - 99.1 Press Release dated October 8, 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: October 9, 2007

ACUITY BRANDS, INC.

By: /s/ Kenyon W. Murphy
Kenyon W. Murphy
Executive Vice President, Chief Administrative
Officer and General Counsel

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