

ACUITY BRANDS INC  
Form 8-K  
December 10, 2009

**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): December 10, 2009**

**ACUITY BRANDS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of

Company or organization)

**001-16583**  
(Commission File Number)

**58-2632672**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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**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)**

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 December 10, 2009, Acuity Brands, Inc. issued a press release announcing the expiration and final results of its previously announced cash tender offer to purchase any and all of the outstanding 8.375% Notes due 2010 (the Notes ), as to which the Company and Acuity Brands Lighting, Inc. are co-obligors. \$175,745,000 in aggregate principal amount of the Notes, representing approximately 87.87% of the outstanding Notes, were validly tendered and not validly withdrawn in the tender offer. A copy of the press release relating to the announcement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits**

99.1 December 10, 2009 Press Release

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: December 10, 2009

ACUITY BRANDS, INC.

By: /s/ RICHARD K. REECE  
**Richard K. Reece**

**Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

99.1 December 10, 2009 Press Release