

MORGAN JOHN K  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400

01/09/2006

Executive Vice President

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	01/09/2006		M		20,000 A \$ 13.8	103,962	D
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	01/09/2006		S		20,000 D \$ 36	83,962	D
Common Stock	01/10/2006		M		2,341 A \$ 28.62	86,303	D
Common Stock	01/10/2006		F		1,848 D \$ 36.24	84,455 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock						5,033	I by 401(k)

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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 13.8	01/09/2006		M	20,000	12/03/2004 12/02/2011	Common Stock 20,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 28.62	01/10/2006		M	2,341	03/20/2000 03/19/2006	Common Stock 2,341

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MORGAN JOHN K C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 ATLANTA, GA 30309	Executive Vice President

## Signatures

John K. Morgan                      01/11/2006  
 \_\_Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) The transaction(s) reported herein was(were) effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on January 17, 2005.
- (2) The total direct shares owned following the reported transaction includes 50,579 time-vesting restricted shares.

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