#### **ACUITY BRANDS INC**

Form 4

November 17, 2006

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* NAGEL VERNON J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

below)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

11/15/2006

10% Owner

Other (specify

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

2400

Chairman, President & CEO

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

\_X\_ Director

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

X\_ Officer (give title

ATLANTA, GA 30309

Form filed by More than One Reporting

| (City)                               | (State)                              | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |   |        |        |  |  |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|--------|--------|--|--|---|--|--|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                            | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or |        | of (D) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |
| Common                               | 11/15/2006                           |  | Code V  | Amount | (D)    | Price<br>\$  | (Instr. 3 and 4)   | <b>D</b>  |  |  |
| Stock                                | 11/15/2006                           |  | M   | 60,000 | A      | 14.34  | 155,043  | D   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/15/2006                           |  | S   | 2,100  | D      | \$<br>53.01  | 152,943  | D   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/15/2006                           |  | S   | 1,200  | D      | \$<br>53.02  | 151,743  | D   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/15/2006                           |  | S   | 1,200  | D      | \$<br>53.03  | 150,543  | D   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/15/2006                           |  | S   | 700    | D      | \$<br>53.04  | 149,843  | D   |  |  |

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| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 2,100 | D | \$<br>53.05 | 147,743 | D |
|-----------------|------------|---|-------|---|-------------|---------|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 100   | D | \$<br>53.06 | 147,643 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 1,000 | D | \$<br>53.07 | 146,643 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 800   | D | \$<br>53.08 | 145,843 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 800   | D | \$<br>53.09 | 145,043 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 1,500 | D | \$ 53.1     | 143,543 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 900   | D | \$<br>53.11 | 142,643 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 2,400 | D | \$<br>53.12 | 140,243 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 1,100 | D | \$<br>53.13 | 139,143 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 800   | D | \$<br>53.14 | 138,343 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 2,600 | D | \$<br>53.15 | 135,743 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 1,700 | D | \$<br>53.16 | 134,043 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 300   | D | \$<br>53.17 | 133,743 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 500   | D | \$<br>53.18 | 133,243 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 1,000 | D | \$<br>53.19 | 132,243 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 800   | D | \$ 53.2     | 131,443 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 500   | D | \$<br>53.21 | 130,943 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 1,100 | D | \$<br>53.22 | 129,843 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 1,000 | D | \$<br>53.23 | 128,843 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 2,400 | D | \$<br>53.24 | 126,443 | D |
|                 | 11/15/2006 | S | 500   | D |             | 125,943 | D |

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| Common<br>Stock |            |   |       |   | \$<br>53.25 |         |   |
|-----------------|------------|---|-------|---|-------------|---------|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 500   | D | \$<br>53.26 | 125,443 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 200   | D | \$<br>53.27 | 125,243 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 700   | D | \$<br>53.29 | 124,543 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/15/2006 | S | 2,500 | D | \$ 53.3     | 122,043 | D |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transacti<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) |                     | ate                | 7. Title :<br>Amount<br>Underly<br>Securitic<br>(Instr. 3 | of<br>ing<br>es | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|---|-----------------|---|---|
|   |   |                                      |   |                                       | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)   |                     |                    |   |                 |   |   |
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                | (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title N   | lumber          |   |   |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address      | Keiationsnips |           |                           |       |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
|                                     | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |  |  |  |
| NAGEL VERNON J                      |               |           |                           |       |  |  |  |
| C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC.             | v             |           | Chairman Brasidant & CEO  |       |  |  |  |
| 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 | X             |           | Chairman, President & CEO |       |  |  |  |
| ATLANTA, GA 30309                   |               |           |                           |       |  |  |  |

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## **Signatures**

By: Jill A. Gilmer, under Power of Attorney For: Vernon J.
Nagel

11/17/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

# **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).

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