ACUITY BRANDS INC

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SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MURPHY KENYON W Issuer Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170 10/04/2006 below) PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE EVP, CAO & General Counsel 2400 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City)	(State) (Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock (1)	10/04/2006		M	5,000	A	\$ 23.69	63,616	D	
Common Stock (1)	10/04/2006		S	5,000	D	\$ 46.85	58,616 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock							15	I	by Son(s)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out 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 (1)	\$ 23.69	10/04/2006		M	5,000	(3)	12/17/2013	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

MURPHY KENYON W C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 ATLANTA, GA 30309

EVP, CAO & General Counsel

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Signatures

Kenyon W. 10/04/2006 Murphy

**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 transactions reported in this Form 4 are being made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan dated February 7, 2006.
- (2) The total direct shares owned following the reported transactions include 29,510 time-vesting restricted shares.
- (3) This option vests in equal annual installments over a three year period and will become fully vested on December 18, 2006.

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