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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BROWNING PETER C						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
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(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2006											Office below	r (give title)		Other (sbelow)	specify		
C/O ACI	JITY BRA	NDS, INC.																					
1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400						If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
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		Tab	le I - Nor	ı-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	es Ad	cqu	ired, D	isp	osed	of, or	r Bei	neficia	lly	Owne	d					
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	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																						
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Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	(2)	05/01/2006			A		212			(3)		(3)	Comn		212	\$	641.34	9,962		D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Stock Units are accrued under the Issuer's Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Stock Unit Plan and are payable in cash upon retirement in either lump sum or five annual installments. Accruals include required and elective deferral of director fees and reinvestment of dividend equivalents. During the Reporting Period, dividends earned and fees paid to the Reporting Person resulted in an increase in the number of units held.
- 2. 1-for-1
- 3. Stock Units issued pursuant to the Plan are payable in cash upon retirement in either a lump sum or five annual installments.

Peter C. Browning 05/01/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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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