

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b> <u>MURPHY KENYON W</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC.</u> <u>1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400</u>  (Street) <u>ATLANTA GA 30309</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b> <u>ACUITY BRANDS INC [ AYI ]</u>	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>EVP, CAO &amp; General Counsel</u>
	<b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)</b> <u>11/01/2006</u>	
<b>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</b>		

**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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		2,100	D	\$50	56,516	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		200	D	\$50.01	56,316	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		400	D	\$50.02	55,916	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		600	D	\$50.03	55,316	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		400	D	\$50.04	54,916	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		300	D	\$50.05	54,616	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.06	54,516	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		400	D	\$50.07	54,116	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		200	D	\$50.08	53,916	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		200	D	\$50.1	53,716	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		200	D	\$50.11	53,516	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.15	53,416	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		200	D	\$50.2	53,216	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		200	D	\$50.21	53,016	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.22	52,916	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.24	52,816	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		200	D	\$50.25	52,616	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.27	52,516	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.29	52,416	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.31	52,316	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.37	52,216	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.38	52,116	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.49	52,016	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.56	51,916	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.57	51,816	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.58	51,716	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.59	51,616	D	
Common Stock	11/01/2006		s		100	D	\$50.64	51,516 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

**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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								15	I	by Son(s)

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. The total direct shares owned following the reported transactions include 29,510 time-vesting restricted shares.

Kenyon W. Murphy

11/03/2006

\*\* 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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