MURPHY KENYON W

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction

(Middle)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

MURPHY KENYON W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2006

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

(First)

2400

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

X_ Officer (give title below)

Sr. Vice Pres. & Gen. Counsel

(Check all applicable)

(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

Issuer

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(A) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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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

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities

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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|-----------------------------|---|------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 1,200 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 1,200 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 644 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 644 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 200 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 200 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 600 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 600 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 1,200 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 1,200 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 1,500 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 1,500 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 600 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 600 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 200 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 200 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 600 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 600 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 1,600 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 1,600 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 1,900 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 1,900 |
| Employee | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | | M | 2,100 | (1) | 10/23/2010 | Common | 2,100 |

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| Stock Option | | | | | | | Stock | |
|-----------------------------|---------|------------|---|-------|------------|------------|-----------------|-------|
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 900 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 900 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 600 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 600 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 700 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 700 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 1,000 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 1,000 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 700 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 700 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 854 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 854 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 2,302 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 2,302 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 100 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 100 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 400 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 400 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 16.5 | 01/06/2006 | M | 100 | <u>(1)</u> | 10/23/2010 | Common Stock | 100 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |

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Sr. Vice Pres. & Gen. Counsel

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Signatures

By: Jill A. Gilmer, under Power of Attorney For: Kenyon W. Murphy

01/10/2006

**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).
- (1) This option vested in equal annual installments over a four-year period and was fully vested on October 24, 2004.

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