FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES IN	BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MURPHY KENYON W					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]										tionship of Reportir all applicable) Director Officer (give title		g Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify		wner	
	(Fii JITY BRAI ACHTREE	,	Middle) JITE 240	0		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/20/2007										below)		below) General Counsel		
(Street) ATLANT	TA GA	A 3	80309 Zip)		4. If Amendment, D				ate of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
Date					Execution Da		ecution Date, any				ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Sec		ount of ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (I	A) or D)	Price	Trans		action(s) 3 and 4)			(111341. 4)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 01/20/2)/2007	2007		F		113		D	\$57	7.07	44,560 ⁽²⁾		I)			
Common	Stock																15]		by Son(s)
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date Exe (Month/Day/Year) if a	if any	cution Date,		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount o		str. 3	Deriva Secur		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Owi Fori Dire or II (I) (I	nership n: ct (D) ndirect nstr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The transaction(s) being reported relate(s) to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person.
- 2. The total direct shares owned following the reported transactions include 22,856 time-vesting restricted shares.

01/23/2007 Kenyon W. Murphy

** 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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