ACUITY BRANDS INC

Form 4

March 03, 2005

FORM 4

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HONEYCUTT KENNETH W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

03/01/2005

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

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/01/2005		M	400	A	\$ 13.8	62,699	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2005		S	400	D	\$ 27.66	62,299	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2005		M	600	A	\$ 13.8	62,899	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2005		S	600	D	\$ 27.65	62,299	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2005		M	100	A	\$ 13.8	62,399	D	

Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	100	D	\$ 27.63	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	300	A	\$ 13.8	62,599	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	300	D	\$ 27.62	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	1,000	A	\$ 13.8	63,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 27.6	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	100	A	\$ 13.8	62,399	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	100	D	\$ 27.53	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	100	A	\$ 13.8	62,399	D
Common Stock	03/01/1980	S	100	D	\$ 27.45	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	200	A	\$ 13.8	62,499	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	200	D	\$ 27.4	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	400	A	\$ 13.8	62,699	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	400	D	\$ 27.39	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	13,900	A	\$ 13.8	76,199	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	13,900	D	\$ 27.38	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	300	A	\$ 13.8	62,599	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	300	D	\$ 27.37	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	200	A	\$ 13.8	62,499	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	200	D	\$ 27.36	62,299	D
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	1,800	A	\$ 13.8	64,099	D
	03/01/2005	S	1,800	D		62,299	D

Common Stock					\$ 27.35		
Common Stock	03/01/2005	M	3,400	A	\$ 13.8 65,699	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2005	S	3,400	D	\$ 27.34 62,299	D	

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

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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 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 of onDerivative 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	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005		M	400	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	400
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005		M	600	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	600
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005		M	100	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	100
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005		M	300	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	300
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005		M	1,000	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	1,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005		M	100	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	100
	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005		M	100	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011		100

Employee Stock Option							Common Stock	
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005	M	200	(1)	12/02/2011	Common Stock	200
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005	M	400	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	400
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005	M	13,900	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	13,900
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005	M	300	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	300
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005	M	200	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	200
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005	M	1,800	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	1,800
Employee Stock Option	\$ 13.8	03/01/2005	M	3,400	<u>(1)</u>	12/02/2011	Common Stock	3,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HONEYCUTT KENNETH W C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE ATLANTA, GA 30309

Executive Vice President

Relationships

Signatures

Jill A. Gilmer, as Power of Attorney for Kenneth W.
Honeycutt

03/03/2005

**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 vests in equal annual installments over a three year period.

Reporting Owners 4

Remarks:

The transactions reported on this Form 4 are being made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan dated February 28, 2005, wh

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