ACUITY BRANDS INC

Form 4

November 05, 2007

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **ROBINSON RAY M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170 PEACHTREE STREET. NESUITE 2400

(Street)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Code

(Instr. 8)

(Month/Day/Year)

11/01/2007

Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

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

Owned

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City) (State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

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

Following Reported (A)

or

Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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(Instr. 4)

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. Pric Underlying Securities Deriva

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.	8)	Acquire (A) or Dispose (D)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		(Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Securit (Instr.
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>	11/01/2007		A		368		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	368	\$ 44.
Stock Units (4)	<u>(2)</u>	11/01/2007		A		3,757		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,757	\$ 36.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROBINSON RAY M C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 ATLANTA, GA 30309



Signatures

Ray M. 11/05/2007 Robinson

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- Stock Units are accrued under the Issuer's Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan (formerly known as the Nonemployee Directors' Stock Unit Plan) and are payable in shares upon retirement in either lump sum or five annual installments. Accruals include required and elective deferral of director fees. During the Reporting Period, 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 common shares upon retirement in either a lump sum or five annual installments.
- (4) Represents an increase in stock units held in the Acuity Brands, Inc. Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan to adjust for the change in unit value resulting from the spin-off of Zep Inc. from Acuity Brands, Inc. on October 31, 2007.

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