



Acuity Brands to Discuss 2002 First Quarter Results

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ATLANTA, Dec 12, 2001 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ -- Acuity Brands, Inc. (NYSE: AYI) will host a conference call on December 19, 2001 at 4:00 p.m. EST to discuss the company's fiscal year 2002 first quarter performance, following the announcement of quarterly results earlier that day. James S. Balloun, Acuity Brands' chairman and chief executive officer, will lead the call. A live Webcast of the discussion will be accessible at the company's Web site: www.acuitybrands.com. A replay of the call will also be posted to this site within two hours of the completion of the conference call and will be archived on the site for three weeks.

Acuity Brands was formed by the spin-off of the lighting equipment and chemicals businesses of National Service Industries, Inc. (NYSE: NSI), which was effective on November 30, 2001.

Acuity Brands, Inc., whose businesses had fiscal year 2001 sales of approximately \$2.0 billion, is comprised of the Acuity Lighting Group and Acuity Specialty Products. The Acuity Lighting Group is the world's largest lighting fixture manufacturer and includes brands such as Lithonia®, Holophane®, Peerless®, and Hydrel®. Acuity Specialty Products is a leading provider of specialty chemicals and includes brands such as Zep®, Enforcer®, and Selig™. Headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, Acuity Brands employs 11,800 people and has operations throughout North America and in Europe.

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