FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BROWNING PETER C					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [ AYI ]										ationship o k all applica Director	,				
(Last)	(Fi	irst)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/02/2003										Officer ( below)	(give title		Other (specify below)	
(Street)	(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)													Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date,		,	e, Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		4. Securiti Disposed 5)				5. Amoun Securities Beneficial Owned Fo	s For ally (D) ollowing (I) (		Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
									Code	v	Amount	t (A) or (D)		e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(IIIsti. 4)	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
Derivative Conversion Date Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if			3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	cution Date, Tra		action (Instr.	of I		Expi	6. Date Exercisabl Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		e and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	e rcisable	Ex Da	piration te	Title	Amor or Numl of Share	ber					
Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	0 <sup>(2)</sup>	06/02/2003			A		396		08/0	8/1988 <sup>(3)</sup>	08/	/08/1988 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	39	6	\$15.81	5,405	5	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Stock Units are accrued under the Issuer's Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Stock Unit Plan and are payable in cash upon retirement. Accruals include an annual grant, required and elective deferral of director fees, and reinvestment of dividend equivalents. During the Reporting Period, director fees paid resulted in an increase in the number of units held.
- 2. 1-for-1
- 3. [This date entry is made pursuant to SEC EDGAR guidelines in effect until system modifications are implemented.] Stock Units are payable in cash upon retirement in either a lump sum or five annual installments.

<u>Peter C. Browning</u> <u>06/04/2003</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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