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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Re BROWNING PETER 	eporting Person* C.	 Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ACUITY BRANDS, INC. (AYI) 	g Symbol 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check allapplicable) [X] Director [] 10% Owner
<pre>(Last) (First) (C/O ACUITY BRANDS, IN 1170 PEACHTREE STREET SUITE 2400</pre>	NC.	3. I.R.S. Identi- 4. Statem fication Number Month/ of Reporting Person, if an entity 11/01/ (voluntary)	Day/Year title below)
(Street) ATLANTA GEORGIA 	30309		ndment, 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing f Original (Check Applicable Line) (Year) [X]Form filed by One Reporting Person []Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
	(Zip)	Table I Non-Derivative Securities .	Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
<pre> 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) </pre>	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- 4. Securities Acquired action or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr.8) Code V Amount (A) or P.	(A) 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature Securities Form: of Beneficially Direct Indirect Owned at (D) or Bene- Owned at Indirect ficial Owned at (I) Owner- (Instr. 3 and (I) Ship
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially directly or indirectly. *If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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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. Conver- sion or Exercise Price of Deriv- ative Security	3. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year) 	Coc	ion	B) 	Number ative Acquir Dispos (Instr (A)	Securi ed (A) ed of	ties or	6. D	Date Exe. isable a: Expirati Date (Month/D Year)	nd on	
										E	xercisable	tion Date	
DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION													
STOCK UNIT (FN 1)		1 for 1	11/01/2002*	A			42			(FN 1)	(FN 1)	

<pre> 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) </pre>	<pre>8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) </pre>	9 	Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4)	10.	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	11. (I) 	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock Common Stock 42	 \$11.92	 	10,000(FN 2) 3,361(FN 1)	 	D			

 $^{\star}\,$ Deemed Transaction Date is the same as Transaction Date.

- FN 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, dividends paid resulted in an increase of 42 units.
- FN 2. Represents the total number of Director Stock Options held at various exercise prices and grant dates as of the Reporting Date.

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/s/ Peter C.	Browning	11/5/2002
** Signature	of Reporting Person	Date

** 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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