FORM 5

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

ANNUAL 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

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[] Form 4 Transactions Reported

[] Form 3 Holdings Reported

1. Name and Address of Re	porting Person* 2 S.	2. Issuer Name and Tick ACUITY BRANDS, INC.	g ,		ip of Reportin (Check all app or [] 1	
(Last) (First) C/O ACUITY BRANDS, IN 1170 PEACHTREE STREET SUITE 2400 (Street) ATLANTA GEORGIA	c.	3. I.R.S. Identi- fication Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)	i 	title CHAIRMAN, PRI EXECUTIVE (7. Individual (Check App. [X]Form fi	ESIDENT AND CH	elow)
Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						
1.Title of Security	Trans- action Exect Date tion (Month/ Date, Day/ if ar Year) (Month/ Day/ Year	u-	curities Acquired (A) Disposed of (D) nstr. 3, 4 and 5) unt (A) or Price (D)	5.Amount of Securities Benefici- ally Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr.3 4)	6.0wnership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.4)	of Indirect Bene- ficial Owner-
COMMON SHARES	I	l l	1 1	50,934	I	Family LP
COMMON SHARES	l	l l	I I I	103,411	D	(FN 1)
COMMON SHARES	l	l l	I I I	139	D	401(k)
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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 Deriva- tive Security	3.Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3A. Deemed Execu- tion Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	4.Trans- action Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expira- Exercisable tion Date	
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$27.76			I I		Immed. 1/2/06	Ι
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$32.46	ı	I			Immed. 9/16/06	1
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$37.85	I	I		l	Immed. 9/22/07	1
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$29.95	ı	I		I	(FN 2.) 9/21/08	ı
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$23.65	ı	I		I	(FN 3.) 1/4/10	ı
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$23.65	ı	I		I	Immed. 1/4/10	ı
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$16.60	I	I	I I		Immed. 10/3/10	I
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$16.50	I	I	I I		(FN 4.) 10/24/10	ı
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$13.80	ı	 			(FN 5.) 12/2/11	I

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	10. 	Ownership of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	11. 	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Title Amount or Number of Shares	 	(Instr. 4) 	 	(Instr. 4)			
COMMON STOCK 292,647	I	292,647		D			1
COMMON STOCK 52,676	I	52,676		D	I		1

^{*}If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

COMMON STOCK	76,087		l	76,087	I	D	I	I
COMMON STOCK	117,058	ı	1	117,058	I	D	I	l
COMMON STOCK	175,587	ı	1	175,587	I	D	I	l
COMMON STOCK		ı	1	190,207	I	D	I	l
COMMON STOCK		ı	1	139,769	I	D	I	l
COMMON STOCK	292,647		l	292,647	I	D	I	I
COMMON STOCK	400,000		 I	400,000	 	D	I	

Explanation of Responses:

- FN 1. Includes 4,411 shares held in a Section 423 stock purchase plan and 6,750 performance-based, time-vesting restricted shares.

 FN 2. Options relating to 87,793 shares are immediately exercisable and options for an additional 29,265 shares will become exercisable on 9/22/2002.

 FN 3. Options relating to 87,793 shares are immediately exercisable and options for an additional 87,794 shares will become exercisable in annual installments of 43,897 shares on each of 1/5/2003 and 1/5/2004.

 FN 4. Options relating to 73,161 shares are immediately exercisable and options for an additional 219,486 shares will become exercisable in annual installments of 73,162 on each of 10/24/2002, 10/24/2003 and 10/24/2004.

 FN 5. Options will become exercisable in annual installments of 133,334 shares on 12/3/2002 and 133,333 shares on each of 12/3/2003 and 12/3/2004.

/s/ James S. Balloun	10/14/02
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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