ACUITY BRANDS INC

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BROWNING PETER C**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

(Month/Day/Year)

10/16/2006

(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

(Street)

2400

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative (Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	10/16/2006		M	300	A	\$ 13.8	1,300	D	
Common Stock	10/16/2006		S	300	D	\$ 50.04	1,000	D	
Common Stock	10/16/2006		M	4,700	A	\$ 13.8	5,700	D	
Common Stock	10/16/2006		S	4,700	D	\$ 49.9	1,000	D	

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 13.8	10/16/2006		M	300	12/03/2002	12/02/2011	Common Stock	30
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 13.8	10/16/2006		M	4,700	12/03/2002	12/02/2011	Common Stock	4,7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BROWNING PETER C C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 ATLANTA, GA 30309



Signatures

Peter C. Browning

**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).

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