

HARNETT GORDON D

Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIESFiled 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(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HARNETT GORDON D

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/08/2009

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer ☐ Other
(give title below) (specify below)C/O ACUITY BRANDS,
INC., 1170 PEACHTREE
STREET, NESUITE 2400

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)Common Stock ⁽¹⁾

1,590

D A

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

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(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
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1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400
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Signatures

Gordon D.
Harnett

01/09/2009

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

(1) The total direct shares owned following the reported transactions includes 590 time-vesting restricted shares.

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