#### HOLCOM KAREN J

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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response...

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOLCOM KAREN J	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400	(Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2006	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  Vice President, Controller			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ATLANTA, GA 30309	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (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 Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	01/06/2006		F	628	D	\$ 35.22	13,138 (2)	D	
Common Stock							479	I	by 401(k)

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

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#### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

HOLCOM KAREN J C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 ATLANTA, GA 30309

Vice President, Controller

### **Signatures**

Karen J. 01/10/2006 Holcom

\*\*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).
- The transaction(s) being reported relate(s) to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person.
- The total direct shares owned after reported transaction includes 8,552 time-vesting restricted shares and 897 shares held in a Section 423 stock purchase plan.

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