

ACUITY BRANDS INC  
Form 8-K  
January 11, 2010

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 8, 2010**

**ACUITY BRANDS, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction of**  
**Company or organization)**

**001-16583**  
**(Commission File Number)**

**58-2632672**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

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1170 Peachtree St., N.E., Suite 2400, Atlanta, GA  
(Address of principal executive offices)

30309  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 404-853-1400

**Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On January 8, 2010, the Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of 13 cents per share. A copy of the related press release is attached as exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated January 8, 2010.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 11, 2010

ACUITY BRANDS, INC.

By: /s/ RICHARD K. REECE  
**Richard K. Reece**

**Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

99.1 Press Release dated January 8, 2010 (Filed with the Commission as part of this Form 8-K).