

ACUITY BRANDS INC  
Form 8-K  
April 21, 2008

**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): April 17, 2008**

**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)**

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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 April 17, 2008, the Company issued a press release announcing it has established two new businesses within its wholly-owned subsidiary Acuity Brands Technology Services, Inc. to capitalize on emerging opportunities in the turn-key renovation and the lighting, energy, and maintenance management markets. SAERIS<sup>TM</sup> provides lighting renovation and energy services, with special focus on turn-key lighting projects for major corporations, building owners, municipalities and schools. ROAM<sup>®</sup> provides monitoring and control of indoor and outdoor lighting infrastructures utilizing a combination of intelligent photocontrols, machine-to-machine communications, wireless communications, and network management services. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

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

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated April 17, 2008 (Filed with the Commission as part of this Form 8-K).

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: April 21, 2008

ACUITY BRANDS, INC.

By: /s/ Richard K. Reece  
Richard K. Reece  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer

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