

ACUITY BRANDS INC  
Form 8-K  
March 09, 2015

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 9, 2015

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ACUITY BRANDS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware<br>(State or other jurisdiction of<br>Company or organization) | 001-16583<br>(Commission File Number) | 58-2632672<br>(I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |
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| 1170 Peachtree St., N.E., Suite 2300, Atlanta, GA<br>(Address of principal executive offices) | 30309<br>(Zip Code) |
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 404-853-1400  
None  
(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))
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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 9, 2015, Acuity Brands, Inc. announced that it has entered into an agreement to acquire all of the outstanding capital stock of Distech Controls, Inc. ("Distech"), subject to approval by certain Distech shareholders and other customary closing conditions. 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) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated March 9, 2015

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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: March 9, 2015

ACUITY BRANDS, INC.

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

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

99.1 Press Release dated March 9, 2015

(Filed with the Commission as part of this Form 8-K).