

ACUITY BRANDS INC

Form 4

July 12, 2016

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NAGEL VERNON J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1170 PEACHTREE STREET
NE, SUITE 2300

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/11/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

Chairman, President, and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Common Stock | 07/11/2016 | | M | 35,060 A | \$ 50.56 235,265 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/11/2016 | | S | 35,060 D | \$ 268.27 200,205 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/11/2016 | | S | 30,000 D | \$ 268.34 50,000 ⁽³⁾ | I | by Trust |

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)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | \$ 50.56 | 07/11/2016 | | M | 35,060 | (4) 10/24/2020 | Common Stock 35,0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| NAGEL VERNON J 1170 PEACHTREE STREET NE SUITE 2300 ATLANTA, GA 30309 | X Chairman, President, and CEO |

Signatures

/s/ Vernon J. Nagel 07/12/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

(1) The total direct shares owned includes 46,119 time-vesting restricted shares.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$267.58 to \$270.04, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to Acuity Brands, Inc., any security holder of Acuity Brands, Inc., or the staff of the Security and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth herein.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$267.60 to \$270.09, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to Acuity Brands, Inc., any security holder of Acuity Brands, Inc., or the staff of the Security and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth herein.

(4) This option vested ratably over a three-year period and became fully vested on October 25, 2013.

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