### **ACUITY BRANDS INC**

Form 4 July 13, 2015

## FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and A	Address of Repo ERNON J	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)  1170 PEACHTREE STREET NE, SUITE 2300			ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year) 07/09/2015	_X_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				Chairman, President, and CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	<ul><li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check</li><li>Applicable Line)</li><li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li></ul>		
ATLANTA, GA 30309				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	<b>Derivative</b>	Securi	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		ed of (	D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/09/2015		M	12,419	A	\$ 40.29	209,950 (1)	D	
Common Stock	07/09/2015		M	12,000	A	\$ 33.49	221,950 (1)	D	
Common Stock	07/09/2015		S	24,419	D	\$ 188.88 (2)	197,531 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock	07/10/2015		M	55,900	A	\$ 40.29	253,431 (1)	D	
Common Stock	07/10/2015		S	55,900	D	\$ 189.65	197,531 <u>(1)</u>	D	

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(3)

Common Stock 80,000 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 40.29	07/09/2015		M	12,419	<u>(4)</u>	11/01/2017	Common Stock	12,4
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 40.29	07/10/2015		M	55,900	<u>(4)</u>	11/01/2017	Common Stock	55,9
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 33.49	07/09/2015		M	12,000	<u>(5)</u>	10/25/2019	Common Stock	12,0

Relationships

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
NAGEL VERNON J						

1170 PEACHTREE STREET NE SUITE 2300 X Chairman, President, and CEO

ATLANTA, GA 30309

# **Signatures**

/s/ Vernon J.
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\*\*Signature of Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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- \* 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 57,951 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 \$188.50 to \$189.07, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to Acuity Brands, Inc., any security holder of Acuity Brands, Inc., or the staff of the Securities 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 \$188.62 to \$191.61, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to Acuity Brands, Inc., any security holder of Acuity Brands, Inc., or the staff of the Securities 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 in equal annual installments over a three-year period and was fully vested on November 2, 2010.
- (5) This option vested in equal annual installments over a three-year period and was fully vested on October 26, 2012.

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