FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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						or Section	1 30(11) 01 1110 1	nvestment Cor	npany Act of	1940					
Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>PILEGGI DOMINIC J</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]							Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issu (Check all applicable) X Director			ner
												Officer (give title	below)	v) Other (specify below)	
					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)										
C/O ACOIT I BRANDS, INC.					05/01/2017										
1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE SUITE 2300											_				
(Street) ATLANTA G.	GA 30309			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (S	ate)	(Zip	D)												
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
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					(Month/Day	(Monti	r) if any (Month/Day/Year) Co		Amount	(A) or (D)		Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)		nstr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	ise (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac (Instr. 8)	tion Code	ode 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 Secu Derivative Security (Instr. 3		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	n(s)	
Stock Units	(1)	05/01/2017		A		176		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	176(3)	\$177.15	3,889	D	

Explanation of Responses:

2. Stock Units issued pursuant to the Plan are payable in common shares upon retirement in either a lump sum or five annual installments.

3. Stock Units are accrued under the Issuer's Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan (formerly known as the Nonemployee Directors' Stock Unit Plan) and are payable in shares upon retirement in either lump sum or five annual installments. Accruals include required and elective deferral of director fees. During the Reporting Period, fees paid to the Reporting Person resulted in an increase in the number of units held.

Remarks:

/s/ Jill A. Gilmer under Power of Attorney for <u>Dominic Pileggi</u>

05/02/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of C. Dan Smith, Senior Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary, Lisa Wyn, Vic

- 1. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Acuity Brands, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms3, 4, ar
- 2. do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form3, 4, or 5, compl
- 3. take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, neces.

 This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 30th day of March, 2017.

/s/ Dominic J. Pileggi

Dominic J. Pileggi