# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [ AYI ]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>NAGEL VERNON J</u>			[]	X	Director	10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Mi 1170 PEACHTREE STREET NE SUITE 2300		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	<b>-</b> x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)				
		· · · ·	10/23/2016		Chairman, President, and CEO					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fili	ng (Check Applicable				
ATLANTA	GA	30309		X	Form filed by One Re	porting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	—		Form filed by More th Person	an One Reporting				

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

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, Transaction Dispo					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	10/23/2016		F		3,834	D	\$239.83	196,371 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								50,000	Ι	by Trust

#### 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. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and of Expiration Date Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		7. Title Amoun Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. The transaction(s) reported relate(s) to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person.

2. The total direct shares owned includes 38,124 time-vesting restricted shares.

### **Remarks:**

### <u>/s/ Vernon J. Nagel</u>

<u>10/24/2016</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $^{\ast}$  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).

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