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

FORM 4

[] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Re	porting Person*	2. Issuer Name ar	nd Ticke	or Tradin	ng Symbol			
 NAGEL VERNON	J.	ACUITY BRANDS,	, INC. (A	AYI)		to Issuer (Check all appl	icable)
						[] Directo	or [] 10	% Owner
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Explanation of Responses:

- FN 1. This option becomes exercisable as follows: 44,444 options become exercisable on April 2, 2003 with the
- remaining 55,556 options becoming exercisable over the next 20 months in monthly installments.

 FN 2. This option was granted on December 3, 2001 and becomes exercisable over a three-year period in monthly installments at an exercise price of \$13.80.

/s/ Vernon J. Nagel 04/18/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially 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.