

### AYI: ACUITY BRANDS, INC

**COMPANY OVERVIEW** 

January 8, 2025

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#### **NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES**

We disclose the following non-generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") financial measures: "adjusted gross profit", "adjusted gross profit margin", "adjusted operating profit" and "adjusted operating profit margin" for total company and by segment; "adjusted net income;" "adjusted diluted earnings per share ("EPS"); "earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization ("EBITDA")", "EBITDA margin", "adjusted EBITDA", and "Adjusted EBITDA margin". These non-GAAP financial measures are provided to enhance the reader's overall understanding of the Company's current financial performance and prospects for the future. Specifically, management believes that these non-GAAP measures provide useful information to investors by excluding or adjusting items for amortization of acquired intangible assets, share-based payment expense, impairments of investments, supplier recovery charge and special charges associated with continued efforts to streamline the organization and integrate recent acquisitions, and a loss on sale of business. Management typically adjusts for these items for internal reviews of performance and uses the above non-GAAP measures for baseline comparative operational analysis, decision making, and other activities.

We also provide "free cash flow" ("FCF") to enhance the readers understanding of the Company's ability to generate additional cash from its business.

Management believes these non-GAAP measures provide greater comparability and enhanced visibility into the Company's results of operations as well as comparability with many of its peers, especially those companies focused more on technology and software. Non-GAAP financial measures included in this presentation should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for or superior to, results prepared in accordance with GAAP.

The most directly comparable GAAP measures for adjusted operating profit and adjusted operating profit margin for total company and by segment are "operating profit" and "operating profit margin," respectively, which include amortization of acquired intangible assets share-based payment expense, supplier recovery charge and special charges. Adjusted operating profit margin is adjusted operating profit divided by net sales for total company and by segment. The most directly comparable GAAP measures for adjusted net income and adjusted diluted EPS are "net income" and "diluted EPS," respectively, which include the impact of amortization of acquired intangible assets. share-based payment expense, impairments of investments, supplier recovery charge, special charges, and a loss on sale of business. Adjusted diluted EPS is adjusted net income divided by diluted weighted average shares outstanding. The most directly comparable GAAP measure for EBITDA is "net income", which includes the impact of net interest expense, income taxes, depreciation, and amortization of acquired intangible assets. EBITDA margin is EBITDA divided by net sales for total company. The most directly comparable GAAP measure for adjusted EBITDA is "net income", which includes the impact of net interest expense, income taxes, depreciation, amortization of acquired

intangible assets, share-based payment expense, supplier recovery charges, special charges, and miscellaneous (income) expense, net. Adjusted EBITDA margin is Adjusted EBITDA divided by net sales for total company. A reconciliation of each measure to the most directly comparable GAAP measure is available in this presentation, except for forward-looking measures of adjusted diluted EPS where a reconciliation to the corresponding GAAP measure is not available without unreasonable effort due to the variability, complexity, and limited visibility of certain assumptions within, as well as the methodology used to estimate, the 2025 non-GAAP outlook measure.

We define FCF as net cash provided by operating activities less purchase of property, plant and equipment. A calculation of this measure is available in this presentation.

The Company's non-GAAP financial measures may not be comparable to similarly titled non-GAAP financial measures used by other companies, have limitations as an analytical tool, and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for GAAP financial measures. Our presentation of such measures, which may include adjustments to exclude unusual or non-recurring items, should not be construed as an inference that our future results will be unaffected by other unusual or non-recurring items.

#### **ABOUT ACUITY**

#### INTERSECTION OF SUSTAINABILITY AND TECHNOLOGY



**Our Business Segments** 



**Acuity Brands Lighting** 



**Acuity Intelligent Spaces** 

#### **OUR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE**

Our Operating System











**Owner's Mindset** 

Time Curiosity





**Customer Obsessed** 

**M** 

People

**Our Values** 

Community

#### **HOW WE CREATE VALUE**



**Grow Net Sales** 



Turn Profits Into Cash



Don't Grow Balance Sheet as Fast

### EFFECTIVE CAPITAL ALLOCATION

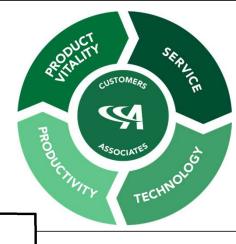


- Invest for Growth in our Current Businesses
- 2. Invest in M&A
- 3. Increase our Dividend
- 4. Repurchase Shares



#### **ACUITY BRANDS LIGHTING**





PREDICTABLE, REPEATABLE, SCALABLE



(\$ in Millions)







#### **ACUITY INTELLIGENT SPACES**







#### **EFFECTIVE CAPITAL ALLOCATION**



Invest for Growth in our Current Businesses



Invest in M&A



Increase our Dividend



Repurchase Shares to Create Permanent Shareholder Value



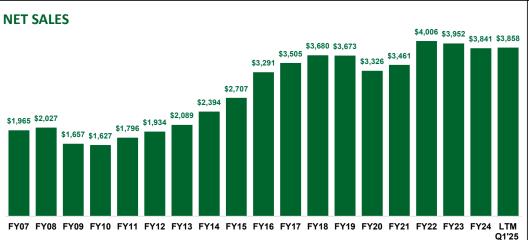


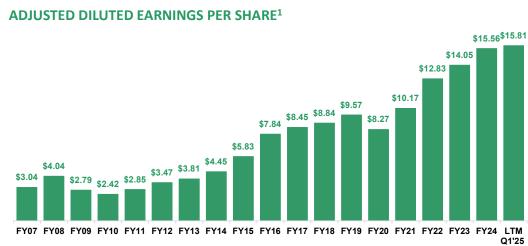
WE REPURCHASED **OVER \$1.4 BILLION** OF OUR SHARES OUTSTANDING FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE  $4^{TH}$  QUARTER OF 2020.

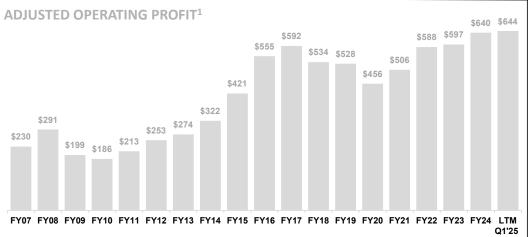
THIS IS APPROXIMATELY 24% OF THE THEN-OUTSTANDING SHARES.

#### **AYI PERFORMANCE OVER TIME**

(\$ in Millions, Except Per Share Data)



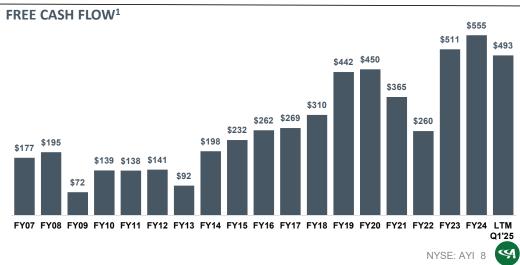




Adjusted Operating Profit, Adjusted Diluted EPS and Free Cash Flow are non-GAAP financial measures. See the Appendix for reconciliations to the

most directly comparable financial measures calculated in accordance with GAAP

Note: Graphs not to scale





# **APPENDIX**

Reconciliation of Non-GAAP Measures

# AYI ADJUSTED OPERATING PROFIT AND ADJUSTED OPERATING PROFIT MARGIN

(\$ in Millions)

|  | FY07    | FY08          | FY09    | FY10    | FY11    | FY12    | FY13    | FY14    | FY15    | FY16    | FY17    | FY18    | FY19    | FY20    | FY21    | FY22    | FY'23   | FY'24   | LTM<br>Q1'25 |
|--|---------|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|
| Net Sales  | \$1,965 | \$2,027       | \$,1657 | \$1,627 | \$1,796 | \$1,934 | \$2,089 | \$2,394 | \$2,707 | \$3,291 | \$3,505 | \$3,680 | \$3,673 | \$3,326 | \$3,461 | \$4,006 | \$3,952 | \$3,841 | \$3,858      |
| Operating Profit (GAAP)  | \$222   | \$261         | \$154   | \$158   | \$189   | \$208   | \$222   | \$299   | \$376   | \$475   | \$519   | \$461   | \$463   | \$354   | \$428   | \$510   | \$473   | \$553   | \$554        |
| Add-back: Amortization of acquired intangible assets                       | 3       | ψ <b>2</b> 01 | 5       | 7       | 10      | 11      | 11      | 11      | 11      | 21      | 28      | 29      | 31      | 42      | 41      | 41      | 42      | 40      | 39           |
| Add-back: Stock-based compensation expense                                 | 11      | 12            | 10      | 9       | 8       | 16      | 17      | 18      | 18      | 28      | 32      | 32      | 29      | 38      | 33      | 37      | 42      | 47      | 48           |
| ·  | - 11    |               |         |         | 0       |         |         | 10      |         |         |         |         |         |         |         | 31      |         | 41      | 40           |
| Add-back: Special Charge   | -       | 15            | 27      | 8       | -       | 13      | 9       | -       | 12      | 15      | 11      | 6       | 2       | 20      | 3       | -       | 27      | -       | -            |
| Infrequent Adjustments   |         |               |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |              |
| Add-back: Settlement gain  | (7)     | _             | -       | _       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | _       | -       | -       | -       | -       | _       | _       | -       | -       | _            |
| Add-back: Manufacturing Inefficiencies Related to Facility Closing         | -       | -             | _       | -       | -       | 3       | 8       | -       | -       | _       | _       | _       | -       | -       | -       | _       | -       | -       | _            |
| Add-back: Abandonment of Inventory   | -       | -             | -       | -       | -       | 1       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -            |
| (Less)/Add-Back: Freight service provider fraud-related (recovery)/expense | -       | -             | -       | -       | -       | -       | 8       | (6)     | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -            |
| Add-back: Acquisition-related professional fees                            | -       | -             | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 3       | 11      | -       | 4       | 3       | 3       | 2       | -       | -       | -       | 5            |
| Add-back: Impairment of intangible asset                                   | -       | -             | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 5       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -            |
| Add-back: Manufacturing inefficiencies                                     | -       | -             | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 2       | -       | 1       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -            |
| Add-back: Excess inventory   | -       | -             | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 3       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -            |
| Add-back: Supplier Recovery Charge   | -       | -             | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 13      | -       | -            |
|  |         |               |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |              |
| Adjusted Operating Profit (Non-GAAP)                                       | \$230   | \$291         | \$196   | \$182   | \$207   | \$253   | \$274   | \$322   | \$421   | \$555   | \$592   | \$534   | \$528   | \$456   | \$506   | \$588   | \$597   | \$640   | \$644        |
| Adjusted Operating Profit Margin (Non-GAAP)                                | 11.7%   | 14.4%         | 11.8%   | 11.2%   | 11.5%   | 13.1%   | 13.1%   | 13.5%   | 15.6%   | 16.9%   | 16.9%   | 14.5%   | 14.4%   | 13.7%   | 14.6%   | 14.7%   | 15.1%   | 16.7%   | 16.7%        |

Notes:

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#### AYI ADJUSTED NET INCOME AND ADJUSTED DILUTED EARNINGS **PER SHARE**

|  | FY07   | FY08   | FY09   | FY10   | FY11   | FY12  | FY13  | FY14   | FY15   | FY16   | FY17  | FY18  | FY19  | FY20   | FY21    | FY22   | FY'23   | FY'24   | Q1'2  |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|--------|---------|---------|-------|
| Net Income (GAAP)  | \$129  | \$149  | \$85   | \$79   | \$106  | \$116 | \$127 | \$176  | \$222  | \$291  | \$322 | \$350 | \$330 | \$248  | \$306   | \$384  | \$346   | \$423   | \$429 |
| Add-back: Amortization of acquired intangible assets                       | 3      | 4      | 5      | 7      | 10     | 11    | 11    | 11     | 11     | 21     | 28    | 29    | 31    | 42     | 41      | 41     | 42      | 40      | 39    |
| Add-back: Stock-based compensation expense                                 | 11     | 12     | 10     | 9      | 8      | 16    | 17    | 18     | 18     | 28     | 32    | 32    | 29    | 38     | 33      | 37     | 42      | 47      | 48    |
| Add-back: Special Charge   | -      | 15     | 27     | 8      | -      | 13    | 9     | -      | 12     | 15     | 11    | 6     | 2     | 20     | 3       | -      | 27      | -       | -     |
| Infrequent Adjustments   | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       |       |
| Add-back: Settlement gain  | (7)    | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Loss on extinguishment of debt                                   | -      | -      | -      | 11     | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Manufacturing Inefficiencies Related to Facility Closing         | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | 3     | 8     | -      | -      | -      | -     | 2     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Abandonment of Inventory   | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | 1     | -     | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| (Less)/Add-Back: Freight service provider fraud-related (recovery)/expense | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | 8     | (6)    | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Acquisition-related professional fees                            | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | 3      | 11     | -     | 2     | 3     | 3      | 2       | -      | -       | -       | 5     |
| Add-Back: Net loss (gain) on financial instruments                         | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | 3      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Impairment of intangible asset                                   | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | 5      | -     | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Manufacturing inefficiencies                                     | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | 2     | -     | 1     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Gain on sale of investment in unconsolidated affiliate           | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | (7)   | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Excess inventory   | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | -     | 3     | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Less: Gain on sale of business   | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | -     | (5)   | -     | -      | -       | -      | -       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Impairment of investment   | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -      | 6       | -      | 3       | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Supplier Recovery Charge   | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | 13      | -       | -     |
| Add-back: Loss on sale of a business                                       | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -      | -       | -      | 11      | -       | -     |
| Total Adjustments  | 8      | 30     | 42     | 35     | 19     | 45    | 52    | 23     | 47     | 80     | 66    | 68    | 65    | 102    | 85      | 78     | 138     | 86      | 91    |
| Adjustment for Tax Effect  | (3)    | (11)   | (14)   | (12)   | (6)    | (16)  | (18)  | (8)    | (15)   | (28)   | (22)  | (20)  | (15)  | (23)   | (19)    | (18)   | (32)    | (20)    | (21)  |
| Less: Discrete income tax net benefit of the TCJA                          |        |        |        |        |        |       |       |        |        |        |       | (35)  |       |        |         |        |         |         |       |
| Adjusted Net Income (Non-GAAP)   | \$132  | \$168  | \$114  | \$103  | \$118  | \$145 | \$162 | \$191  | \$254  | \$343  | \$366 | \$363 | \$381 | \$327  | \$372   | \$444  | \$452   | \$489   | \$499 |
| Diluted weighted average number of shares outstanding                      | 43.9   | 41.6   | 41.6   | 43.3   | 42.8   | 41.9  | 42.5  | 43.0   | 43.4   | 43.8   | 43.3  | 41.0  | 39.8  | 39.6   | 36.6    | 34.6   | 32.2    | 31.4    | 31.5  |
| Adjusted Diluted EPS (Non-GAAP)  | \$3.04 | \$4.04 | \$2.74 | \$2.27 | \$2.76 | ¢2.47 | ¢2 04 | \$1.4E | \$5.83 | ¢7 0 / | ¢0 45 | ¢0 04 | ¢0 57 | \$8.27 | \$10.17 | ¢12 02 | \$14.05 | \$15.56 | ¢15.9 |

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#### **AYI FREE CASH FLOW**

(\$ in Millions)

|   | FY07  | FY08  | FY09 | FY10  | FY11  | FY12  | FY13  | FY14  | FY15  | FY16  | FY17  | FY18  | FY19  | FY20  | FY21  | FY22  | FY'23 | FY'24 | LTM<br>Q125 |
|---|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities   | \$209 | \$222 | \$93 | \$161 | \$161 | \$172 | \$132 | \$233 | \$289 | \$346 | \$337 | \$353 | \$495 | \$505 | \$409 | \$316 | \$578 | \$619 | \$561       |
| Purchases of Property, Plant, and Equipment | (31)  | (27)  | (21) | (22)  | (23)  | (31)  | (41)  | (35)  | (57)  | (84)  | (67)  | (44)  | (53)  | (55)  | (44)  | (57)  | (67)  | (64)  | (68)        |
| Free Cash Flow (Non-GAAP)                   | \$177 | \$195 | \$72 | \$139 | \$138 | \$141 | \$92  | \$198 | \$232 | \$262 | \$269 | \$308 | \$442 | \$450 | \$365 | \$260 | \$511 | \$555 | \$493       |

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# ACUITY BRANDS LIGHTING ADJUSTED OPERATING PROFIT AND ADJUSTED OPERATING PROFIT MARGIN

(\$ in Millions)

|  | FY20    | FY21    | FY22    | FY'23   | FY'24   | LTM<br>Q1'25 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|
| Net Sales  | \$3,181 | \$3,287 | \$3,810 | \$3,723 | \$3,573 | \$3,583      |
| Operating Profit (GAAP)                              | \$426   | \$476   | \$546   | \$510   | \$583   | \$582        |
| Add-back: Amortization of acquired intangible assets | 27      | 28      | 28      | 29      | 26      | 26           |
| Add-back: Stock-based compensation expense           | 13      | 11      | 13      | 14      | 15      | 16           |
| Add-back: Acquisition related items                  | 1       | -       | -       | -       | -       | -            |
| Add-back: Special charge                             | -       | -       | -       | 25      | -       | -            |
| Add-back: Supplier recovery charge                   | -       | -       | -       | 13      | -       | -            |
| Adjusted Operating Profit (Non-GAAP)                 | \$468   | \$515   | \$587   | \$591   | \$624   | \$623        |
| Adjusted Operating Profit Margin (Non-GAAP)          | 14.7%   | 15.7%   | 15.4%   | 15.9%   | 17.5%   | 17.4%        |

# ACUITY INTELLIGENT SPACES ADJUSTED OPERATING PROFIT AND ADJUSTED OPERATING PROFIT MARGIN

(\$ in Millions)

|  | FY20  | FY21  | FY22  | FY'23 | FY'24 | LTM<br>Q1'25 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
| Net Sales  | \$157 | \$190 | \$216 | \$253 | \$292 | \$301        |
|  |       |       |       |       |       |              |
| Operating Profit (GAAP)                              | (\$4) | \$10  | \$23  | \$32  | \$44  | \$49         |
| Add-back: Amortization of acquired intangible assets | 14    | 13    | 13    | 13    | 14    | 13           |
| Add-back: Stock-based compensation expense           | 5     | 3     | 4     | 5     | 6     | 7            |
|  |       |       |       |       |       |              |
| Adjusted Operating Profit (Non-GAAP)                 | \$15  | \$26  | \$40  | \$50  | \$63  | \$69         |
| Adjusted Operating Profit Margin (Non-GAAP)          | 9.5%  | 13.5% | 18.5% | 19.8% | 21.7% | 22.7%        |