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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Black Mark A (Last) (First) (Middle)		on*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
					Director	10% Owner			
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
		(Middle)	04/11/2016		EV	ΥP			
1170 PEACHT	REE STREET, NE	SUITE 2300							
(Ctroot)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	ridual or Joint/Group	Filing (Check Applicable	е		
(Street)	GA	30309		X	Form filed by One	Reporting Person			
	GA				Form filed by More Person	than One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11311.4)
Common Stock	04/11/2016		S		2,678	D	\$248.16	43 , 586 ⁽¹⁾	D	

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. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	Expiration Da	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of 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 total direct shares owned includes 43,586 time-vesting restricted shares.

Remarks:

/s/ Mark A. Black

04/11/2016

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

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