FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MCCULLOUGH ROBERT F						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [ AYI ]								5. Rela (Check X	ationship all appl Direct		g Per	son(s) to Iss	
						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2014									Office below	r (give title )		Other ( below)	specify
1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE SUITE 2400						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) ATLANTA GA 30309		30309										Line) X							
(City) (State) (Zip)																			
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriva	ative	Sec	curitie	es Ac	quired,	Dis	osed	of, or Be	enefic	ially	Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						ar) E	Execution f any	A. Deemed execution Date, any Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		and Securit		ies Fo cially (D) Following (I)		n: Direct r Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		се	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(1130.4)
	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 I if any (Month/Day	Date, T	Code (I		of		6. Date Exe Expiration (Month/Day	Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				C	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		xpiration ate	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er					
Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	(2)	08/01/2014			Α		226		(1)		(3)	Common Stock	226	\$	110.63	19,599		D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 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.
- 2. 1-for-1
- 3. Stock Units issued pursuant to the Plan are payable in common shares upon retirement in either a lump sum or five annual installments.

## Remarks:

Robert F. McCullough

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

07/31/2014

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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