FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	nd Address of W. Patrick	Reporting Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]									(Ch	eck all appl X Direct	or	g Pers	10% O	wner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2015									Office below	r (give title)		Other (below)	specify		
1170 PEACHTREE STREET NE, SUITE 2300							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)	•		30309									- 1	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								
(City)	y) (State) (Zip)																				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						ar) E	Execution f any	A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Benefic	ies Fo cially (D) Following (I)		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(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	ransa Code (I		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exe Expiration I (Month/Day	Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	,	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)		
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		piration ate	Title	or Nui of	ount mber ares							
Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	(2)	05/01/2015			A		149		(1)		(3)	Common Stock	1	49	\$167.23	374		D			

${\bf Explanation\ of\ Responses:}$

- 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:

W. Patrick Battle 05/01/2015

** 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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