FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* NORTH JULIA B						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last) (Filst) (Milute)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2015									cer (give title ow)	•	Other (below)	specify	
1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE SUITE 2300					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street)														ne) X Fo	m filed by O	ne Rer	norting Perso	n l	
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		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	es A	cquired,	Dis	posed	of, or Be	eneficia	lly Ow	ed				
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	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,	Code (Ir		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	rities lired r osed) 1. 3, 4	Expiration	i. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)		e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	(2)	11/02/2015			A		148		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	148	\$210.83	26,51	13	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.

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Remarks:

<u>/s/ Julia B. North</u> <u>11/01/2015</u>

** 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).
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