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* NAGEL VERNON J							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]									p of Reportin plicable) ctor	g Person(s) to I		
(Last) 1170 PEA SUITE 23		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/26/2016								X	belo	,	Other below sident, and Cl	´					
(Street) ATLANTA GA 30309 (City) (State) (Zip)					- 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deri\	/ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired	, Dis	posed o	f, or E	Benef	icially	Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						ay/Year) if		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		ction Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			l and 5) Secu Bene Own		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
						Code V		Amount	(A) or (D) Pr		ice		action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 10/26/2							2016		F		1,923	I	\$	\$231.34		5,886 ⁽²⁾	D		
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 10/27/2							2016		F		1,886	I	\$	225.84	204,000(3)		D		
Common Stock															5	50,000	I	by Trust	
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)	vative Conversion Date Execution I urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				Code (Instr		on of		6. Date E Expiration (Month/I	on Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Dei Sec (Ins	rice of ivative curity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v					Expiration Date	Title	of Share								

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The transaction(s) reported relate(s) to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person.
- 2. The total direct shares owned includes 42,876 time-vesting restricted shares.
- 3. The total direct shares owned includes 38,943 time-vesting restricted shares.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Vernon J. Nagel</u> <u>10/27/2016</u>

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

Signature of Reporting 1

 $\label{lem:Reminder:Remondance} Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.$

- * 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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