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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Smith C. Dan

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

Issuer

below)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 04/06/2010

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

SVP, Treasurer and Secretary

Other (specify

C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170 PEACHTREE STREET. NESUITE

(Street)

(State)

04/06/2010

2400

(City)

Common

Stock (1)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

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1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

F

Code V Amount (D) 289

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Price

D $15,240^{(2)}$ D 46.76

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsnips					
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Smith C. Dan C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 ATLANTA, GA 30309			SVP, Treasurer and Secretary			

Signatures

C. Dan Smith	04/07/2010			
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date			

Explanation of Responses:

- 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).
- (1) The transaction(s) being reported relate(s) to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person.
- (2) The total direct shares owned includes 9,612 time-vesting restricted shares.

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