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(Print or Type Res	sponses)										
1. Name and Add WILLIAMS N	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer						
(Last)	(First) (	Middle)					(Check all applicable)				
(Eust)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				X_ Director 10% Owner						
	T BRANDS, IN E STREET, NE		02/01/2	2012			Officer (giv below)	ve title Oth below)	ner (specify		
ATLANTA, O	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			al	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			~ • •	a	Person				
	. ,	-					Acquired, Disposed		-		
	Transaction Date /onth/Day/Year)		Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, Amount	(A) or of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Reminder: Report	t on a separate line	e for each cl	ass of sec	urities bene	ficially ow	ned directly	or indirectly.				
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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price c
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	nof	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Derivativ

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Sec Acc (A) Dis of (	urities uired or posed D) tr. 3, 4	· · ·	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	7 (A	) (D	) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>	02/01/2012		А	27	9	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	279	\$ 58.2

## **Reporting Owners**

<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>		Relationships					
r o o contra	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WILLIAMS NEIL C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400 ATLANTA, GA 30309		Х					
Signatures							
Neil Williams	02/01/2012						

\*\*Signature of Date Reporting Person

## **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).

- 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 (1) 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.

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