ACUITY BRANDS INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

NAGEL VERNON J Sy			Symbol	Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]				Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			ı,	(Check all applicable)				
			(Month/I	(Month/Day/Year) 01/13/2015				_X_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street) 4. If			4. If Ame	If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-L	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Day/Yea	r) Executio any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d 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)	
Common Stock	01/13/2015			M	6,381	A		203,912 (1)	D		
Common Stock	01/13/2015			S	6,381	D	\$ 153.69 (2)	197,531 <u>(1)</u>	D		
Common								80,000	ī	hy Trust	

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)

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 40.29	01/13/2015		M	6,381	(3)	11/01/2017	Common Stock	6,38

Reporting Owners

Panorting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Chairman, President, and CEO

NAGEL VERNON J 1170 PEACHTREE STREET NE

SUITE 2300

ATLANTA, GA 30309

Signatures

Vernon J. Nagel 01/15/2015

**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 total direct shares owned includes 57,951 time-vesting restricted shares.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$153.00 to \$154.60, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to Acuity Brands, Inc., any security holder of Acuity Brands, Inc., or the staff of the Security and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth herein.
- (3) This option vested in equal annual installments over a three-year period and was fully vested on November 2, 2010.

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