#### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Instruction 1(b).

#### 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 ]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE, STE. 2300						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/26/2018									belov	Officer (give title below)  Chairman, President		ner (specify ow) CEO	
(Street) ATLANTA GA 30309  (City) (State) (Zip)					- 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ties Acquired (A) of (D) (Instr. 3, 4					6. Ownersh Form: Direc (D) or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (I	() or ()	Price	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111501.4)	
Common Stock 10/26/						3					1,396	(1)	D	\$0	2	216,720			
Common Stock 10/27/					7/2018				F	F 1,784		(1)	D	\$0	21	4,936 <sup>(2)</sup>	D		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
Derivative Security Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, Trans		ction Instr.	of Derive Secue Acque (A) or Disposof (D) (Instr	of E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Insti	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Num of Shar	ber					

### **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 31,681 time-vesting restricted shares.

# Remarks:

/s/ Jill A. Gilmer, under Power 10/29/2018 of Attorney for Vernon J.

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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