

ACUITY BRANDS INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Black Mark A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP- Customer Enabling Team Ld

C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE SUITE 2300

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	10/30/2014		S		5,946	D	\$ 136.74 35,808 <u>(2)</u> <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	10/30/2014		M		5,207	A	\$ 46.29 41,015 <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock	10/30/2014		M		4,976	A	\$ 62.54 45,991 <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock	10/30/2014		M		3,234	A	\$ 103.74 49,225 <u>(2)</u>
	10/30/2014		S		13,417	D	35,808 <u>(2)</u>

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$135.62 to \$137.69, 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.
- (1) The total direct shares owned includes 35,808 time-vesting restricted shares.
 - (2) This option vested ratably over a three-year period and was fully vested on October 24, 2014.
 - (3) This option vests ratably over a three-year period and will become fully vested on October 23, 2015.
 - (4) This option vests ratably over a three-year period and will become fully vested on October 24, 2016.

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