ACUITY BRANDS INC

Form 4

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Black Mark A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170			10/23/2014	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specified below)			
PEACHTREE 2300	E STREET, 1	NE SUITE		EVP- Customer Enabling Team L			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Z 4 20200		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City)	(State)	^(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	n(A) or D	rities Acquired Disposed of (D) , 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock (1)	10/23/2014		F	889	D	\$ 133.54	37,387 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock (1)	10/24/2014		F	925	D	\$ 134.56	36,462 <u>(3)</u>	D	
Common Stock (1)	10/24/2014		F	536	D	\$ 134.56	35,926 <u>(4)</u>	D	
Common Stock (1)	10/25/2014		F	1,056	D	\$ 134.56	34,870 (5)	D	

Person

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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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5		Amou Under Secur (Instr.	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	7 (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Black Mark A C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE SUITE 2300 ATLANTA, GA 30309

EVP- Customer Enabling Team Ld

Signatures

Mark A. Black 10/27/2014

**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) reported relate(s) to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person.
- (2) The total direct shares owned includes 35,611 time-vesting restricted shares.
- (3) The total direct shares owned includes 32,839 time-vesting restricted shares.
- (4) The total direct shares owned includes 31,232 time-vesting restricted shares.
- (5) The total direct shares owned includes 28,924 time-vesting restricted shares.

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