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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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

(Street)

(State)

(First)

10/24/2017

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

below) **EVP**

2300

(City)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

ATLANTA, GA 30309

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

or

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 10/24/2017 Stock

1.592 F D (1) 159

 $27,885 \frac{(2)}{2}$

D

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
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)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Black Mark A							
C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC.			EVP				
1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE SUITE 2300	T, NE SUITE 2300						
ATLANTA, GA 30309							

Signatures

/s/ Jill A. Gilmer, under Power of Attorney for Mark A.
Black

**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 reported relates to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person.
- (2) The total direct shares owned includes 26,132 time-vesting restricted shares.

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