#### **ACUITY BRANDS INC**

Form 4

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### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Stock (1)

(State)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading NAGEL VERNON J Issuer Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_\_ Director (Month/Day/Year) 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC., 1170 11/06/2012 below) PEACHTREE STREET. NESUITE Chairman, President and CEO 2400 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ATLANTA, GA 30309 Person

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 7. Nature of 1. Title of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Ownership (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Price Amount (D) Common 11/06/2012 43,800 319,150 (1) M Α D Stock (1) 25.62 \$ Common S 11/06/2012 43,800 D 66.52 275,350 (1) D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (1)	\$ 25.62	11/06/2012		M	43,800	(3)	01/19/2014	Common Stock	43,800

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
NAGEL VERNON J						
C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC.	X		Chairman, President and CEO			

ATLANTA, GA 30309

### **Signatures**

Vernon J. Nagel 11/06/2012

\*\*Signature of Person Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NESUITE 2400

- \* 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 transactions reported herein were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the Reporting Person. The total direct shares owned includes 92,798 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 \$65.77 to \$67.06, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to Acuity Brands, Inc., any security holder of Acuity Brands, Inc, or the staff of the Securities 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 January 20, 2007.

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