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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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * REECE RICHARD K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(First)

(Middle)

11/05/2015

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below)

EVP/Chief Financial Officer

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

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

Issuer

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock	11/05/2015		M	7,780	A	\$ 46.29 \$	135,893 (1)	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2015		S	7,780	D		128,113 (1)	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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date		4. 5. Number		6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount	
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 46.29	11/05/2015		M	7,780	<u>(3)</u>	10/23/2021	Common Stock	7,78

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

REECE RICHARD K C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE SUITE 2300 ATLANTA, GA 30309

EVP/Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Richard K. Reece

11/05/2015

**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 total direct shares owned includes 35,586 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 \$217.00 to \$217.20, 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
- 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.
- (3) This option vested ratably over a three-year period and become fully vested on October 24, 2014.

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