ACUITY BRANDS INC

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or Form 5

(Middle)

(Zip)

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HARNETT GORDON D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2015

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

(First)

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30309

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

Securities (A)

Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price of

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

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

(I)

(Instr. 4)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

Estimated average

burden hours per

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Expiration Date** Underlying Securities Derivative Derivative Conversion Transactionof

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>	05/01/2015		A	150		<u>(1)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	150	\$ 167.2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HARNETT GORDON D
C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC.
1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE SUITE 2300
ATLANTA, GA 30309

Signatures

Gordon D.
Harnett
05/01/2015

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- Stock Units are accrued under the Issuer's Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan (formerly known as the Nonemployee Directors' Stock Unit Plan) and are payable in shares upon retirement in either lump sum or five annual installments. Accruals include required and elective deferral of director fees. During the Reporting Period, fees paid to the Reporting Person resulted in an increase in the number of units held.
- (2) 1-for-1
- (3) Stock Units issued pursuant to the Plan are payable in common shares upon retirement in either a lump sum or five annual installments. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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