

ACUITY BRANDS INC

Form 4

October 25, 2013

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30309

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ACUITY BRANDS INC [AYI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/23/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP- Customer Enabling Team Ld

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V                                                                   | Amount<br>(A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                                                         | Price                                                                |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock <sup>(1)</sup>        | 10/24/2013                              |                                                             | A                                       |                                                                     | 6,428                                                                                                              | A \$ 0                                                               | 32,508 <sup>(2)</sup> D                                           |
| Common<br>Stock <sup>(3)</sup>        | 10/23/2013                              |                                                             | F                                       |                                                                     | 889                                                                                                                | D \$ 103.5                                                           | 31,619 <sup>(4)</sup> D                                           |
| Common<br>Stock <sup>(3)</sup>        | 10/24/2013                              |                                                             | F                                       |                                                                     | 925                                                                                                                | D \$<br>103.74                                                       | 30,694 <sup>(5)</sup> 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(6)                | \$ 103.74                                                          | 10/24/2013                              |                                                             | A                                    | 9,700                                                                                                           | (7) 10/23/2023                                                 | Common<br>Stock                                                  | 9,700                                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                       | Relationships                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                                                      | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Black Mark A<br>C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC.<br>1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE SUITE 2300<br>ATLANTA, GA 30309 | EVP- Customer Enabling Team Ld   |

## Signatures

Mark A. Black 10/25/2013

\*\*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 shares being reported result from the award of restricted stock pursuant to the 2012 Omnibus Stock Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (2) The total direct shares owned includes 32,508 time-vesting restricted shares.
- (3) The transaction(s) reported relate(s) to the vesting of restricted stock held by the reporting person.
- (4) The total direct shares owned includes 29,843 time-vesting restricted shares.
- (5) The total direct shares owned includes 27,070 time-vesting restricted shares.
- (6) The shares being reported result from the award of nonqualified stock options pursuant to the 2012 Omnibus Stock Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (7) This option vests in equal annual installments over a three year period.

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