ASHLAND INC.

Form 4

September 17, 2013

# 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).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad WILLIS J K	*	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ASH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(===== an application)			
50 E. RIVERCENTER BLVD.		BLVD.	(Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2013	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Chief Financial Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
COVINGTO	N, KY 4101	.1	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

#### (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Restricted Stock	09/13/2013		J <u>(1)</u>		A	\$ 91.41	12,101	D	
Common Stock							14,038 (2)	I	401(k)
Common Stock							887 <u>(3)</u>	I	LESOP

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)

Derivative Security	Conversion or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Transaction	ionNumber Expiration Date  of (Month/Day/Year		ate	Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	•		,		(Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	09/13/2013		J <u>(5)</u>	55	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	55	\$ 91.41

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

3 Transaction Date 3A Deemed

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WILLIS J KEVIN 50 E. RIVERCENTER BLVD. COVINGTON, KY 41011

Chief Financial Officer

# **Signatures**

1 Title of

/s/ David A. Rines, Attorney-in-Fact

09/17/2013

\*\*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).
- Restricted Common Stock paid in lieu of cash dividends (exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3) as required under the terms of (i) the Restricted (1) Stock Agreement dated November 17, 2010 which will vest November 17, 2014 and (ii) the Restricted Stock Agreement dated May 3, 2013 which will vest May 3, 2016.
- (2) Based on Employee Savings Plan information as of September 13, 2013, the latest date for which such information is reasonably available.
- (3) Shares accrued under Ashland's Leveraged Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of September 13, 2013.
- **(4)** 1 for 1.
- (5) Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan") and exempt under Rule 16b-3(d). (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)

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Subject to any deferral election on timing of distribution by the reporting person under the Plan, the Common Stock Units are payable in Common Stock upon the reporting person's in-service distribution election, retirement or other termination.

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