ASHLAND INC. Form 4 July 19, 2016

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Schumann Anne T.			2. Issuer Name and 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	(and officers)		
1313 N MARKET STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 07/15/2016	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
WILMINGTO	ON, DE 1989	4	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired Execution Date, if any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)				d of (D)	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following 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)	
Common Stock	07/15/2016		M(1)	1,375	A	\$ 0	12,178 (2)	D	
Common Stock	07/15/2016		F(3)	879	D	\$ 122.47	11,299 (2)	D	
Common Stock	07/18/2016		S(1)	496	D	\$ 121.61	10,803 (2)	D	
Common							1 206 (4)	T	401 <i>(K</i>)

1,296 (4)

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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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title I
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 55.56	07/15/2016		M(1)(5)	1,375	12/02/2012(5)	01/02/2022	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Schumann Anne T.

1313 N MARKET STREET Vice President WILMINGTON, DE 19894

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer I. Henkel, 07/19/2016 Attorney-in-Fact

**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 transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 30, 2015.
- (2) Includes 5,973 shares of unvested Restricted Stock.
- Payment of exercise price and tax liability by withholding securities incident to the exercise of Stock Appreciation Rights referenced in footnote 5 below.
- Based on Employee Savings Plan information as of July 12, 2016, the latest date for which such information is reasonably available.
- Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2011 Ashland Inc. Incentive Plan which vests in three annual installments: 50% after the 1st year, the next 25% the 2nd year and the remaining 25% the 3rd year.

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