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#### FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SCHAEFER GEORGE A JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ASHLAND INC. [ASH]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

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

X\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

851 DELAWARE RIDGE LANE

(Street)

03/13/2015

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CINCINNATI, OH 45226

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. 4. TransactionNumber Code of (Instr. 8) Derivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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	Derivative Security				Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/13/2015	J <u>(2)</u>		72		<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	72	\$ 125

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHAEFER GEORGE A JR 851 DELAWARE RIDGE LANE X CINCINNATI, OH 45226

## **Signatures**

/s/ Issa O. Yesufu, Attorney-in-Fact

03/17/2015

\*\*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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a right to receive one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.
- Restricted Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan") for Non-Employee Directors and exempt (2) from Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Restricted Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)
- (3) Subject to any deferral election on timing of distribution by the reporting person under the Plan, the reporting person may, prior to vesting, elect to receive the Restricted Stock Units in Common Stock or cash upon separation from service as a director.

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