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Ashland Inc. to report first-quarter financial results after NYSE closes on January 27 and host webcast with investors at 9 a.m. ET, January 28

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COVINGTON, Ky. - Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH) today announced that it plans to report financial results for the first quarter of fiscal 2014 after the New York Stock Exchange closes on Monday, January 27, 2014, and to host a webcast with investors at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, January 28, 2014.

Historically, Ashland has reported its quarterly earnings and hosted its conference call with investors on the same day. Based on feedback from analysts and investors, the company has decided to move to a new trial format.

Ashland plans to issue its first-quarter earnings news release on Monday, January 27, 2014, at approximately 5 p.m. ET. At the same time, the company will post a slide presentation and prepared remarks in the Investor Relations section of its website at <http://investor.ashland.com>. The live webcast with investors, which will include an executive summary and detailed remarks, will take place at 9 a.m. ET on Tuesday, January 28.

In attendance at the presentation will be: James J. O'Brien, chairman and chief executive officer; J. Kevin Willis, senior vice president and chief financial officer; Luis Fernandez-Moreno, president of Ashland Specialty Ingredients; and Jason L. Thompson, director, investor relations.

The webcast will be accessible through the Investor Relations section of Ashland's website at <http://investor.ashland.com>, along with supporting materials. Following the live event, an archived version of the webcast and supporting materials will be available on the Ashland website for 12 months.

About Ashland Inc.

In more than 100 countries, the people of Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH) provide the specialty chemicals, technologies and insights to help customers create new and improved products for today and sustainable solutions for tomorrow. Our chemistry is at work every day in a wide variety of markets and applications, including architectural coatings, automotive, construction, energy, food and beverage, personal care, pharmaceutical, tissue and towel, and water treatment. Visit ashland.com to see the innovations we offer through our four commercial units - Ashland Specialty Ingredients, Ashland Water Technologies, Ashland Performance Materials and Ashland Consumer Markets.

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