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## Ashland Inc. Chemical Sector President and COO to Address Citigroup Chemical Conference Dec. 7

COVINGTON, Ky., Dec. 5 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Gary A. Cappeline, president and chief operating officer of the Chemical Sector of Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH), will address securities analysts at the Citigroup 16th Annual Chemical Conference in New York City on Wednesday, December 7, at 11:40 a.m. EST.

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A live webcast of the presentation will be available on Ashland's website at [www.ashland.com/investors](http://www.ashland.com/investors). A replay will also be available for 30 days following the conference.

Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH) is a Fortune 500 chemical and transportation construction company providing products, services and customer solutions throughout the world. To learn more about Ashland, visit [www.ashland.com](http://www.ashland.com).

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