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Ashland Inc. to report second-quarter financial results after NYSE closes on April 30 and host webcast with investors at 9 a.m. EDT, May 1

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COVINGTON, Ky. - Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH) today announced that it plans to report financial results for the second quarter of fiscal 2014 after the New York Stock Exchange closes on Wednesday, April 30, 2014, and to host a webcast with investors the following morning.

Ashland plans to issue its second-quarter earnings news release at approximately 5 p.m. EDT on April 30. 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. EDT on Thursday, May 1, 2014.

Among those participating in the presentation will be: James J. O'Brien, chairman and chief executive officer; J. Kevin Willis, senior vice president and chief financial officer; 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 Following the live event, an archived version of the webcast and supporting materials will be available on the Ashland website for 12 months.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 Valvoline.

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