FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WARD MICHAEL J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC [ASH]										ck all applic	able)	ng Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(Fi	irst)	(Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2003										Other (spe		specify
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)													Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans: Date (Month/L						- 1	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		,	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	lly ollowing	Form:	Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code V		Amount	nt (A) or (D) Pr		Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)					
	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 D if any (Month/Day/	ate, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			e and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Common Stock Units	0 ⁽²⁾	06/30/2003			J ⁽³⁾		603		08/0	8/1988 ⁽³⁾	08	/08/1988 ⁽³⁾	Comr		603	\$30.68	4,463	3	D	

Explanation of Responses:

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3. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors as of 6-30-03, payable in cash or stock upon termination of service and exempt under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock)

M. Craig Hal

07/02/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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