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Pricing Supplement No. 12 Dated October 4, 1996

To Prospectus Dated April 24, 1995 and Prospectus Supplement Dated April 24, 1995

\$200,000,000

ASHLAND INC.

MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES G

Due from 9 Months or More from Date of Issue

Principal Amount: \$5,000,000

(Total Principal Amount Issued to Date: \$128,000,000)

Original Issue Date: October 9, 1996

Maturity Date: October 10, 2005

Interest Rate: 7.10%

Redemption:

Check box opposite applicable paragraph.

- [x] The Notes cannot be redeemed prior to maturity.
- [] The Notes may be redeemed prior to maturity.

Initial Redemption Date:

The optional Redemption Price on and after the Initial Redemption Date shall initially be \$%\$ of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed and shall decline at each anniversary of the Initial Redemption Date by \$%\$ of the principal amount to be redeemed until the Optional Redemption Price is 100% of such principal amount.

Commission to be paid to agent: DONALDSON, LUFKIN & JENRETTE SECURITIES CORPORATION

\$27,500.00

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Pricing Supplement No. 13 Dated October 4, 1996

To Prospectus Dated April 24, 1995 and Prospectus Supplement Dated April 24, 1995

\$200,000,000

ASHLAND INC.

MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES G

Due from 9 Months or More from Date of Issue

\$10,000,000 Principal Amount:

(Total Principal Amount Issued to Date: \$138,000,000)

Original Issue Date: October 9, 1996

Maturity Date: October 9, 2006 _____

Interest Rate: 7.16%

Redemption:

Check box opposite applicable paragraph.

- [x] The Notes cannot be redeemed prior to maturity.
- [] The Notes may be redeemed prior to maturity.

Initial Redemption Date:

The optional Redemption Price on and after the Initial Redemption Date shall initially be % of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed and shall decline at each anniversary of the Initial Redemption Date by % of the principal amount to be redeemed until the Optional Redemption Price is 100% of such principal amount.

Commission to be paid to Agent.

\$60,000.00

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Pricing Supplement No. 14 Dated October 4, 1996

To Prospectus Dated April 24, 1995 and Prospectus Supplement Dated April 24, 1995

\$200,000,000

ASHLAND INC.

MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES G

Due from 9 Months or More from Date of Issue

Principal Amount: \$10,000,000

(Total Principal Amount Issued to Date: \$148,000,000)

Original Issue Date: October 9, 1996

October 9, 2006

Maturity Date:

Interest Rate: 7.16% _____

Redemption:

Check box opposite applicable paragraph.

- The Notes cannot be redeemed prior to maturity. [x]
- The Notes may be redeemed prior to maturity.

Initial Redemption Date:

The optional Redemption Price on and after the Initial Redemption Date shall initially be \$%\$ of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed and shall decline at each anniversary of the Initial Redemption Date by \$%\$ of the principal amount to be redeemed until the Optional Redemption Price is 100% of such principal amount.

Commission to be paid to Agent.

\$60,000.00

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Pricing Supplement No. 15 Dated October 4, 1996

To Prospectus Dated April 24, 1995 and Prospectus Supplement Dated April 24, 1995

\$200,000,000

ASHLAND INC.

MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES G

Due from 9 Months or More from Date of Issue

Principal Amount:

\$10,000,000

(Total Principal Amount Issued to Date: \$158,000,000)

Original Issue Date:

October 9, 1996

Maturity Date:

October 15, 2007

Interest Rate: 7.20%

Redemption:

Check box opposite applicable paragraph.

- [x] The Notes cannot be redeemed prior to maturity.
- [] The Notes may be redeemed prior to maturity.

Initial Redemption Date:

The optional Redemption Price on and after the Initial Redemption Date shall initially be \$%\$ of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed and shall decline at each anniversary of the Initial Redemption Date by \$%\$ of the principal amount to be redeemed until the Optional Redemption Price is 100% of such principal amount.

Commission to be paid to Agent. BEAR, STEARNS & CO. INC.

\$60,000.00