

Pricing Supplement No. 1 Dated July 26, 2002

To Prospectus Dated September 7, 2001 and
Prospectus Supplement Dated September 20, 2001

\$350,000,000

ASHLAND INC.

MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES K

Due 9 Months or More from Date of Issue

Principal Amount: \$55,000,000

(Total Principal Amount Issued to Date: \$55,000,000)

Original Issue Date: August 1, 2002
Maturity Date: August 1, 2012
Interest Rate: 6.396%
Record Date: January 15 and July 15
Interest Payment Date: February 1 and August 1

Redemption:

Check box opposite applicable paragraph.

The Notes cannot be redeemed prior to maturity.

The Notes may be redeemed prior to maturity.

Commission to be paid to agent: \$330,000

Agent's Commitments:

Name ----	Principal Amount -----
Banc of America Securities LLC	\$55,000,000