ASHLAND INC. Form 4 March 26, 2015

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FERNANDEZ-MORENO LUIS M

(Ctata)

8145 BLAZER DRIVE

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ASH] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 03/24/2015 below) Senior Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting WILMINGTON, DE 19808 Person

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/24/2015		S <u>(1)</u>	1,300	D	\$ 128	40,651 (2)	D		
Common Stock	03/24/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	4,305	A	\$ 127.41	44,956 (2)	D		
Common Stock	03/24/2015		M(1)	4,320	A	\$ 127.41	49,276 (2)	D		
Common Stock	03/24/2015		F(3)	3,025	D	\$ 127.41	46,251 (2)	D		
Common Stock	03/24/2015		F(4)	3,032	D	\$ 127.41	43,219 (2)	D		

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Common Stock 03/25/2015 $S_{\underline{(1)}}$ 2,568 D $\frac{\$}{127.27}$ 40,651 $\underline{(2)}$ D

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

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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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of Sha
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 69.15	03/24/2015		M(1)(5)		4,305	11/26/2013	12/26/2022	Common Stock	4,
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 69.15	03/24/2015		M(1)(6)		4,320	11/26/2013	12/26/2022	Common Stock	4,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FERNANDEZ-MORENO LUIS M 8145 BLAZER DRIVE WILMINGTON, DE 19808

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Issa O. Yesufu,

Attorney-in-Fact 03/26/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 2, 2015.
- (2) Includes 38,080 shares of unvested Restricted Stock.
- (3) Payment of exercise price and tax liability by withholding securities incident to the exercise of Stock Appreciation Rights referenced in footnote 5 below.
- (4) Payment of exercise price and tax liability by withholding securities incident to the exercise of Stock Appreciation Rights referenced in footnote 6 below.
- (5) Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2011 Ashland Inc. Incentive Plan which vests in three annual installments: 50% after the 1st year, the next 25% the 2nd year and the remaining 25% the 3rd year.
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