ASHLAND INC. Form 4 April 04, 2016

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Manager Vada O

(First)

(Middle)

8203 WATERSIDE COURT

(Street)

Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ASH]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

FORT WASHINGTON, MD 20744

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(A)

or

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year)

5. 4. TransactionNumber Code of (Instr. 8) Derivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

Derivative Security (Instr. 5)

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	Security				Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock	\$ 0 (1)	03/31/2016	J(2)		8		<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	8	\$ 109.90

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Manager Vada O
8203 WATERSIDE COURT X
FORT WASHINGTON, MD 20744

Signatures

Units

/s/ Issa O. Yesufu, Attorney-in-Fact

04/04/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) 1-for-1
- (2) Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan") and exempt under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)
- (3) Subject to any deferral election on timing of distribution by the reporting person under the Plan, the Common Stock Units are payable in Common Stock upon the reporting person's separation from service as a director.
- Balance includes 1 additional Common Stock Unit acquired in lieu of cash dividends on March 15, 2016 pursuant to Ashland's Deferred (4) Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan") and exempt under Rule 16b-3. One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock).

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