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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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	ame and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HAMBERS LAMAR M</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC [ASH]										elationship eck all appl Direct	cable)	g Pers	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov	
(Last)	(Fi	rst)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/17/2005									Y Office below		trolle	Other (sbelow)	specify	
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2005								Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable le) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	vative	e Se	curiti	ies Ac	qui	ired, D	isp	osed o	of, or E	ene	ficial	y Owne	d			
Date				2. Trans Date (Month		action 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			·,	, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									ſ	Code	,	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 0:				01/1	7/200	7/2005			M		125 ⁽¹	1)	4	\$0	3,042			D		
		7	Table II -							•	•	sed of, onverti	•		-	Owned			·	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	Code (I		of E		Exp	Date Exer piration I pnth/Day	ate		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Se (Instr. 3 and 4			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Common Stock	\$0	01/17/2005			M			125 ⁽¹⁾		(2)		(2)	Commo	1 1	125	\$57.55 ⁽³⁾	18,64	1	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This amount reflects the exclusion of 52 shares of Ashland Common Stock that were included on the insider's previous filing due to an administrative error by the plan administrator.
- 2. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's 1995 Deferred Compensation Plan as of 1/17/05, and exempt under Rule 16b-3(d). (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the 1995 Deferred Compensation Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)

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/s/ Jami K. Suver, Attorney-in-

** Signature of Reporting Person

06/03/2005

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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