FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC [ASH]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
HEALY BERNADINE				[11011]									X Dire	ctor		10% O	vner		
(Last) THE CL	`	irst) ((Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/15/2005							Offic belo	er (give title w)		Other (s	specify		
1950 RICHMOND ROAD			4. If	If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
(Street)	URST O	H 4	44124											Li		n filed by One n filed by Moi on		•	
(City)	(S	tate) ((Zip)																
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date,			Cod	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				d Secur Benef	cially I Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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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 Security 3. Transaction Date Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Date, T	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of E		Expiration	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Am Sec Un De	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price o Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ble	Expiratio Date	n Titl	tle	Amount or Number of Shares					
Common Stock Units	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	06/15/2005			J ⁽²⁾		29		(2)		(2)		ommon Stock	29	\$69.62	7,390		D	

Explanation of Responses:

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2. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors as of 6/15/05, payable in cash or stock upon termination of service and exempt under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)

<u>Jami K. Suver, Attorney-in-</u> <u>Fact</u>

06/17/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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