STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME

(In millions except per share data - preliminary and unaudited)

		nths ended nber 31
	2010	2009
SALES	\$ 1,433	\$ 1,324
COSTS AND EXPENSES		
Cost of sales	1,040	906
Selling, general and administrative expense	286	284
Research and development expense	20	20
FOURTY AND OTHER INCOME	1,346	1,210
EQUITY AND OTHER INCOME	12	13
OPERATING INCOME	99	127
Net interest and other financing expense	(27)	(41)
Net gain on acquisitions and divestitures (a)	21_	
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS		
BEFORE INCOME TAXES	93	86
Income tax expense INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	<u>31</u> 62	<u>22</u> 64
Income from discontinued operations (net of income taxes) (b)	25	22
NET INCOME	\$ 87	\$ 86
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DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE		
Income from continuing operations	\$.78	\$.82
Income from discontinued operations	.31	.28
Net income	<u>\$ 1.09</u>	\$ 1.10
AVERAGE COMMON SHARES AND ASSUMED CONVERSIONS	80	78
SALES		
Functional Ingredients	\$ 216	\$ 210
Water Technologies	451	443
Performance Materials	326	271
Consumer Markets	440	400
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OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	¢ 10	\$ 27
Functional Ingredients Water Technologies	\$ 19 24	\$ 27 39
Performance Materials	6	8
Consumer Markets	65	67
Unallocated and other (c)	(15)	(14)
	\$ 99	\$ 127

⁽a) Includes a gain of \$19 million for the three months ended December 31, 2010 related to the formation of an expanded global joint venture with Süd-Chemie AG. The gain is primarily attributable to the fair value remeasurement of the net assets contributed to the joint venture exceeding the recorded values.

⁽b) Includes income of \$23 million and \$12 million for the three months ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, related to direct results of the Distribution business. Due to its expected sale, the direct results of this business have been presented as discontinued operations for each period presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

⁽c) Includes \$11 million and \$13 million of costs for the three months ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, previously charged to the Distribution business. These costs include former Distribution liabilities that have been retained by Ashland such as pension, postretirement and environmental costs, as well as indirect corporate cost allocations previously charged to this business.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	December 31 2010			September 30 2010		
ASSETS						
Current assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	374	\$	417		
Accounts receivable		1,005		1,115		
Inventories		497		447		
Deferred income taxes		112		112		
Held for sale (a)		656		693		
Other assets		61		49		
		2,705		2,833		
Noncurrent assets						
Auction rate securities		22		22		
Goodwill		2,083		2,148		
Intangibles		1,089		1,111		
Asbestos insurance receivable		452		459		
Deferred income taxes		336		336		
Held for sale (a)		271		270		
Other assets		623		514		
		4,876		4,860		
Property, plant and equipment						
Cost		3,003		3,096		
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		(1,235)		(1,258)		
		1,768		1,838		
Total assets	\$	9,349	\$	9,531		
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Current liabilities						
Short-term debt	\$	77	\$	71		
Current portion of long-term debt		39		45		
Trade and other payables		640		727		
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		404		523		
Held for sale (a)		274		321		
		1,434		1,687		
Noncurrent liabilities						
Long-term debt (noncurrent portion)		1,114		1,108		
Employee benefit obligations		1,368		1,372		
Asbestos litigation reserve (noncurrent portion)		826		841		
Deferred income taxes		149		145		
Other liabilities		581		575		
		4,038		4,041		
Stockholders' equity		3,877		3,803		
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	9,349	\$	9,531		

⁽a) Primarily relates to assets and liabilities of the Distribution business that have qualified for held for sale classification in accordance with U.S. GAAP due to its expected sale.

STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOWS

	Three months ended December 31			
	2010			009
CASH FLOWS (USED) PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS				
Net income	\$	87	\$	86
Income from discontinued operations (net of income taxes)		(25)		(22)
Adjustments to reconcile income from continuing operations to				
cash flows from operating activities		72		71
Depreciation and amortization Debt issuance cost amortization		73 4		74 6
Debt issuance cost amortization Deferred income taxes		4		26
Equity income from affiliates		(3)		(6)
Distributions from equity affiliates		2		6
Gain from sale of property and equipment		(3)		(2)
Stock based compensation expense		4		3
Stock contributions to qualified savings plans		12		9
Net gain on acquisitions and divestitures		(21)		-
Change in operating assets and liabilities (a)		(172)		(125)
		(38)		55
CASH FLOWS (USED) PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS				
Additions to property, plant and equipment		(22)		(21)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		4		3
Purchase of operations - net of cash acquired		(5)		-
Proceeds from sale of operations or equity investments		21		-
Proceeds from sales and maturities of available-for-sale securities				44
		(2)		26
CASH FLOWS (USED) PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS				
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		11		-
Repayment of long-term debt		(10)		(25)
Proceeds from short-term debt		6		6
Cash dividends paid		(12)		(6)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		1		1
Excess tax benefits related to share-based payments		1		
		(3)		(24)
CASH (USED) PROVIDED BY CONTINUING OPERATIONS		(43)		57
Cash (used) provided by discontinued operations				
Operating cash flows		-		(7)
Investing cash flows		(1)		-
Effect of currency exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		1 (12)		4
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		(43)		54
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year	Φ.	417	Φ.	352
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF PERIOD	\$	374	\$	406
DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION				
Functional Ingredients	\$	24	\$	27
Water Technologies	•	21	•	24
Performance Materials		18		13
Consumer Markets		9		9
Unallocated and other		1		1
	\$	73	\$	74
ADDITIONS TO PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT				
Functional Ingredients	\$	9	\$	10
Water Technologies	•	6		3
Performance Materials		3		2
Consumer Markets		3		3
Unallocated and other		1		3
	\$	22	\$	21
(a) Excludes changes resulting from operations acquired or sold.				

Three months ended

		Decembe			
		2010		2009	
FUNCTIONAL INGREDIENTS (a)					
Sales per shipping day	\$	3.5	\$	3.4	
Metric tons sold (thousands)		38.5		37.4	
Gross profit as a percent of sales		31.2%		33.7%	
WATER TECHNOLOGIES (a)					
Sales per shipping day	\$	7.3	\$	7.2	
Gross profit as a percent of sales		31.6%		36.6%	
PERFORMANCE MATERIALS (a)					
Sales per shipping day	\$	5.3	\$	4.4	
Pounds sold per shipping day		4.5		4.0	
Gross profit as a percent of sales		14.6%		18.4%	
CONSUMER MARKETS (a)					
Lubricant sales (gallons)		40.4		40.3	
Premium lubricants (percent of U.S. branded volumes)		30.2%		28.3%	
Gross profit as a percent of sales		30.9%		33.9%	
DISTRIBUTION (a), (b)					
Sales per shipping day	\$	13.8	\$	11.8	
Pounds sold per shipping day		14.7		14.3	
Gross profit as a percent of sales		8.8%		9.2%	

⁽a) Sales are defined as net sales. Gross profit as a percent of sales is defined as sales, less cost of sales divided by sales.

⁽b) For the three months ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, results for Distribution have been reported as discontinued operations.

RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP DATA - INCOME (LOSS) FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS

(In millions - preliminary and unaudited)

Three Months Ended December 31, 2010

OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) Castings Solutions transaction and start up costs Accelerated depreciation All other operating income Operating income		etional dients - - 19 19	ater nologies - - 24 24		rformance Materials (2) (7) 15		nsumer arkets - - 65 65		(1) - (14) (15)	\$ Total (3) (7) 109 99
NET INTEREST AND OTHER FINANCING EXPENSE									(27)	(27)
NET GAIN ON ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTITURES Castings Solutions market valuation of contribution MAP Transaction									19 2 21	 19 2 21
INCOME TAX (EXPENSE) BENEFIT Research and development income tax credits Castings Solutions market valuation of contribution Other key items All other income tax expense									4 (16) 3 (22) (31)	 4 (16) 3 (22) (31)
INCOME (LOSS) FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	\$	19	\$ 24	\$	6	\$	65	\$	(52)	\$ 62
			Th	ree Mo	onths Ended	Decemb	per 31, 200	9		
	Functional Water Ingredients Technologies		Performance Consumer Materials Markets			Unallocated & Other		Total		
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) All other operating income	\$	27	\$ 39	\$	8	\$	67	\$	(14)	\$ 127
NET INTEREST AND OTHER FINANCING EXPENSE									(41)	(41)
INCOME TAX (EXPENSE) BENEFIT Discrete tax matters All other income tax expense									6 (28) (22)	 6 (28) (22)
INCOME (LOSS) FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS	\$	27	\$ 39	\$	8	\$	67	\$	(77)	\$ 64

RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP DATA - FREE CASH FLOW

	Three months ended December 31					
Free cash flow	2010	2009				
Total cash flows provided by operating activities from continuing operations	\$ (38)) \$ 55				
Less: Additions to property, plant and equipment Cash dividends paid	(22 <u>)</u> (12	, ,				
Free cash flows	\$ (72)	\$ 28				

RECONCILIATION OF NON-GAAP DATA - ADJUSTED EBITDA

(Three months ende December 31			
Adjusted EBITDA - Ashland Inc.	2	010		2009
Operating income	\$	99	\$	127
Add:				
Depreciation and amortization (a)		66		74
Key items (see Table 5)		10		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	175	\$	201
Adjusted EBITDA - Ashland Aqualon Functional Ingredients				
Operating income	\$	19	\$	27
Add:				
Depreciation and amortization		24		27
Key items (see Table 5)		-		-
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	43	\$	54
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Adjusted EBITDA - Water Technologies	Φ	0.4	ф	20
Operating income Add:	\$	24	\$	39
Depreciation and amortization		21		24
Key items (see Table 5)		-		-
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	45	\$	63
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Adjusted EBITDA - Performance Materials	•			
Operating income	\$	6	\$	8
Add: Depreciation and amortization (a)		11		13
Key items (see Table 5)		9		-
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	26	\$	21
Adjusted EBITDA - Consumer Markets	•	0.5	•	07
Operating income Add:	\$	65	\$	67
Add: Depreciation and amortization		9		9
Key items (see Table 5)		-		9 -
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	74	\$	76
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⁽a) Depreciation and amortization for the three months ended December 31, 2010 excludes \$7 million of accelerated depreciation, which is displayed as a key item within this table.