UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 4 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP () Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b). 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Rouse, Jr., William L. 2201 Regency Road Suite 602 Lexington, Kentucky 40503 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ashland Inc. ASH 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary) 4. Statement for Month/Year March 31, 2002 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director () 10% Owner () Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)

7. 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

1. Title of Security	2. 3. 4.Securities Acc Transaction or Disposed of	•	5.Amount of Securities	6.Dir 7.Nature of Indirect ect Beneficial Ownership			
	 Date Code V Amount	A/ D Price	Beneficially Owned at End of Month	(D)or Indir ect(I)			
Common Stock			2,000 (1)	D			
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Option (3)	37.50	1			1	7-28-	- 1-28-	Common	Stock	1,000		1,000	D	1
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Option (3)	43.125	1			1	7-31-	- 1-31-	Common	Stock	1,000		1,000	D	
						97	07				 	 		
Option (3)	52.75	1			1	7-30-	- 1-30-	Common	Stock	1,000		1,000	D	
						98	08				 	 		
Option (4)	46.76	Ĺ		I.	I	7-31-	- 2-29-	Common	Stock	2,500		2,500	D	L
						02	12				 	 		
Common Stock Units (5)	1-for-1		J	V 115	A		I	Common	Stock	115		26,900	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares of restricted common stock acquired pursuant to Ashland's

stock incentive plans as approved by the shareholders and exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

2. Payment of a portion of meeting and committee fees in Ashland stock.

3. Stock options (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) granted

pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation and Stock Incentive Plan for

Non-Employee Directors. The stock option

includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the

plan.

4. Stock options (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) under Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan. The stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan.

5. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors as of March 31, 2002, and includes transactions

occurring on or after January 31,

2002, payable in cash or stock upon termination in service, and exempt under

Rule 16b-3. The price of the Common Stock Units on applicable valuation dates has varied from \$45.510 - \$45.530. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock) SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON Amelia A. McCarty - Attorney - in - Fact DATE April 5, 2002