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 Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 2. Ashland Inc. ASH 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary) 4. Statement for Month/Year June 30, 2001 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

- 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 Ac   Transaction   or Disposed o		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		1 1	2,000 (1)	D			
Common Stock	6-29-0 J (2   380  1  )	A  \$40.10 	5,077 	D   			

Table II Derivativ	e Securitites Acquire	d, Disposed of, d	or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of Derivative	2.Con-	3.	4.	5.Number o	f De	6.Dat	e Exer	7.Title	e and /	Amount	8.Price	9.Number	10.	11.Nature of
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Option (3)	37.50	1	I I	1	1	7-28-	1-28-	Common	Stock	1,000	1	1,000	D	I
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Option (3)	33.00							Common	Stock	1,000	1	1,000	D	
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Option (3)	52.75							Common	Stock	1,000		1,000	D	
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Common Stock Units (4)	11-10r-1		J	130	A	 	 	Common	SLOCK	⊥3⊍ 	\$39.060	26,541	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.

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

3. Stock options under Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

4. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors, payable in cash or stock upon termination of service as of June 30, 2001 and

includes transactions after May 31, 2001, and exempt under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock)

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

Amelia A. McCarty - Attorney - in - Fact

DATE

July 5, 2001