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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SOLSO THEODORE M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC [ASH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
<u>50L50 IIIL</u>	ODORE M				Director	10% Owner		
(Last) CUMMINS ENG	(First) GINE COMPANY	(Middle) , INC.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2004		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
500 JACKSON STREET			Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applical					
(Street) COLUMBUS	IN	47202		Line) X	Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than Person	0		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Disposed Of (5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock								1,000	D	
Restricted Stock								1,000(1)	D	

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Common Stock Units	\$0 ⁽²⁾	06/30/2004		J (3)		417		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	417	\$0	10,947	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. Converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.

3. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors as of 6-30-04, 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>M. Craig Hall</u>	
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** Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 \ast If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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