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 Ashland Inc.

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3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year

- January 31, 2002 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

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Explanation of Responses:

Stock)

- 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. 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.
- Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan. The stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the
- 4. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors as of 1-31-02, payable in cash or stock upon termination in service, and exempt under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON Amelia A. McCarty - Attorney - in - Fact DATE February 6, 2002