## **SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

# PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(a) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (AMENDMENT NO. )

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#### Ashland Inc.

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting of Stockholders **Date:** Tuesday, January 24, 2023

Time: 10:30 AM, Eastern Time

Place: Annual Meeting to be held live via the Internet - please visit

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You must register to attend the meeting online and/or participate at www.proxydocs.com/ASH

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## Ashland Inc.

#### **Annual Meeting of Stockholders**

## THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE: FOR ON PROPOSALS 1, 2 AND 3

#### PROPOSAL

- The election of 9 director nominees
  - 1.01 Steven D. Bishop
  - 1.02 Brendan M. Cummins
  - 1.03 Suzan F. Harrison
  - 1.04 Jay V. Ihlenfeld
  - 1.05 Wetteny Joseph
  - 1.06 Susan L. Main
  - 1.07 Guillermo Novo
  - 1.08 Jerome A. Peribere
  - 1.09 Janice J. Teal
- 2. To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as independent registered public accountants for fiscal 2023;
- 3. To vote upon a non-binding advisory resolution approving the compensation paid to Ashland's named executive officers, as disclosed pursuant to Item 402 of Regulation S-K, including the Compensation Discussion and Analysis, compensation tables and narrative discussion; and
- The transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.