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\$301,627,000

ASHLAND INC.

MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES F

Due from 9 Months or More from Date of Issue

Principal Amount: \$10,000,000

(Total Principal Amount Issued to Date: \$184,000,000)

Original Issue Date: February 10, 1995

Maturity Date: February 10, 2015

Interest Rate: 8.625%

Redemption:

Check box opposite applicable paragraph.

[x] The Notes cannot be redeemed prior to maturity.

] The Notes may be redeemed prior to maturity.

Initial Redemption Date:

The optional Redemption Price on and after the Initial Redemption Date shall initially be % of the principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed and shall decline at each anniversary of the Initial Redemption Date by % of the principal amount to be redeemed until the Optional Redemption Price is 100% of such principal amount.

Commission to be paid to agent \$75,000.00 Morgan Stanley & Co., Inc.