FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SCHAEFER GEORGE A JR | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC [ASH] | | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|-----------------|--|--|---|--|------------------|----------------------|--|--|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|--|
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| (Last) | (Fil | (First) (Middle) | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2003 | | | | | | | | | | Officer (give title below) | | | Other (specify below) | |
| (Street) | | | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | | |
| (=====) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X | Form | n filed by One | e Repo | orting Pers | on |
| (City) | (St | ate) (| Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Date | Date (Month/Day/Year) if | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Transaction Dis | | Disposed | I. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5) | | | l and Securi Benefi | | cially I Following | 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 | Transa | | action(s) 3 and 4) | | | (11150.4) | |
| Common Stock | | | 06/30 | 30/2003 | | | | J ⁽¹⁾ | J ⁽¹⁾ 456 | | A | | 30 | .68 | 770 | | | 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) | Execution Date, | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | of Deriva Secur Acqui (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. | of E | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | str. 3 | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | O Fe D O (I) | 0. ownership orm: irect (D) r Indirect) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | | Date Exercisal | | Expiration Date | Title | or Nui of | ount nber res | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares of stock issued in lieu of fees.

M. Craig Hall

07/02/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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