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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Instruction 2	1(b).	File	d pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940					<u> </u>
	ddress of Reporting <u>N MANNIE L</u>		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ASHLAND INC</u> [ASH]		tionship of f all applicat	Reporting Person ble)	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) HARLEM C	(First)	(Middle) RS INTERNATIONAL	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2003		Officer (gi below)	ive title	Other (specify below)	
400 EAST V	AN BUREN ST	REET, SUITE 300	4. If Amendment. Date of Original Filed (Month/Dav/Year)	6. Indiv	vidual or Joir	nt/Group Filing (Check Applicable	_

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Person

(Street) PHOENIX	AZ	85004		
(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.		Transaction D Code (Instr. 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								2,000	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		de (Instr. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) rities ired r ssed) : 3, 4				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	and 5 (A)	5) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares										
Common Stock Units	\$0 ⁽²⁾	09/30/2003		J (3)		578		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	578	\$32.85	22,509	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 9-30-03, 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>	10/02/2003

** 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).

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