FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HEALY BERNADINE</u>							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC [ASH]										tionship of Reporting l all applicable) Director			rson(s) to Is: 10% O		
(Last) (First) (Middle) THE CLEVELAND CLINIC FOUNDATION 9500 EUCLID AVENUE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/15/2004												Office below	r (give title)		Other (below)	specify	
(Street) CLEVELAND OH 44194					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											Indiv ne) X	·					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																			
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriva	ative	Sec	curiti	es Ac	qu	ired,	Disp	osed	of, o	r Ber	neficia	ally	Owne	d				
Date					te onth/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year			3. Transaction Code (Instr. r) 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			4 and Securit Benefic		es ially Following	Forn (D) c	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										Code	v	Amoun	t	(A) or (D)	Price	Tran		action(s) . 3 and 4)			(instr. 4)	
Common Stock																	3,	3,522		D		
Restricted Stock																	1,000(1)			D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date, T	1. Transaction Code (Instr. 3)		of	r osed) . 3, 4	Exp	Date Exe piration I ponth/Day	Date		Amor Secu Unde Deriv	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		Der	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Common Stock	\$0 ⁽²⁾	09/15/2004			J ⁽³⁾		38			(3)		(3)	Comi		38	\$	54.32	7,297		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.
- 3. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors as of 9-15-04, 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)

09/17/2004 M. Craig Hall

** 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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