## Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 Registration No. 002-95022

\_\_\_\_\_ SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 то **REGISTRATION STATEMENT** Under the Securities Act of 1933 ASHLAND INC. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter) Kentucky 61-0122250 (State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) incorporation or organization) 50 E. RiverCenter Boulevard P.O. Box 391 Covington, KY 41012-0391 (859) 815-3333 (Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of Registrant's principal executive offices) Amended Stock Incentive Plan For Key Employees Of Ashland Oil, Inc. And Its Subsidiaries (Full title of the Plan) David L. Hausrath, Esq. Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary 50 E. RiverCenter Boulevard P.O. Box 391 Covington, KY 41012-0391 (859) 815-3333 (Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

The securities offering issued pursuant to this Registration Statement by Ashland Inc., formerly known as Ashland Oil, Inc. ("Ashland"), has terminated. 51,013 shares of Ashland Common Stock issued pursuant to this Registration Statement remain unsold. Ashland hereby deregisters all remaining 51,013 shares registered pursuant to the Amended Stock Incentive Plan for Key Employees Of Ashland Oil, Inc. And its Subsidiaries. PART II

EXHIBITS

Exhibit No.

25 Power of Attorney

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, Ashland certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized in the City of Covington, Commonwealth of Kentucky, on January 28, 2005.

ASHLAND INC.

By: /s/ David L. Hausrath Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities indicated on January 28, 2005.

Signature	Title
*	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer
James J. O'Brien	(Principal Executive Officer)
*	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
J. Marvin Quin	(Principal Financial Officer
*	Vice President and Controller
Lamar M. Chambers	(Principal Accounting Officer)
*	Director
Ernest H. Drew	
*	Director
Roger W. Hale	
*	Director
Bernadine P. Healy	
*	Director
Mannie L. Jackson	
*	Director
Kathleen Ligocki	
*	Director
Patrick F. Noonan	
*	Director
George A. Schaefer, Jr.	
*	Director
Theodore L. Solso	
*	Director
Michael J. Ward	

David L. Hausrath Attorney-in-fact Exhibit No.

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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each of the undersigned Directors and Officers of ASHLAND INC., a Kentucky corporation, which is about to file a Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-8 Registration Statement to the Amended Stock incentive Plan for Key Employees Of Ashland Oil, Inc. And its Subsidiaries with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1933, as amended, hereby constitutes and appoints JAMES J. O'BRIEN, DAVID L. HAUSRATH and LINDA L. FOSS, and each of them, his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power to act without the others to sign and file such Amendment, and the exhibits thereto and any and all other documents in connection therewith, and any such amendments thereto, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and to do and perform any and all acts and things requisite and necessary to be done in connection with the foregoing as fully as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Dated: January 28, 2005

/s/ James J. O'Brien	/s/ Mannie L. Jackson
James J. O'Brien, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer	Mannie L. Jackson, Director
/s/ J. Marvin Quin	/s/ Kathleen Ligocki
J. Marvin Quin, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	Kathleen Ligocki, Director
/s/ Lamar M. Chambers	/s/ Patrick F. Noonan
Lamar M. Chambers, Vice President, Controller and Principal Accounting Officer	Patrick F. Noonan, Director
/s/ Ernest H. Drew	/s/ George A. Schaefer
Ernest H. Drew, Director	George A. Schaefer, Jr., Director
/s/ Roger W. Hale	/s/ Theodore M. Solso
Roger W. Hale, Director	Theodore M. Solso, Director
/s/ Bernadine P. Healy	/s/ Michael J. Ward
Bernadine P. Healy, Director	Michael J. Ward, Director