## FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BOSTAPH KARL R.					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ ASH ]								(Che	eck all applie Directo	,		son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 8145 BLAZER DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/13/2024									below)  Senior VP Operations					
(Street) WILMINGTON DE 19808				- 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
(City)	(S		(Zip)	n_Doris	vativo	tive Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)			saction	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 5)			) or	5. Amou	Formula (D) (I) (I) (I)	Form (D) or	m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)						
					Code V Amount (A) or (D)			rice	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				,							
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Derivative Security Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any				ransaction of E ode (Instr. Derivative (I			5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)  7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Se (Instr. 3 and 4			f g Secu	ırity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
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Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	11/13/2024			Α		2,078		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	2,0	)78	\$0	2,078		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a right to receive one (1) share of Ashland common stock upon vesting.
- 2. Grant of Restricted Stock Units on November 13, 2024, pursuant to Ashland's incentive plan as approved by the shareholders and exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3. The shares in this grant vest in three equal installments beginning one year from the date of grant, provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous employment with the Issuel

/s/ Serena S. Kenost, Attorney-11/15/2024 in-fact for Karl Bostaph

\*\* 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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