

Ashland Inc. CFO Chambers to Speak Nov. 12 at Longbow Research Paper, Packaging and Chemicals Investor Conference

COVINGTON, Ky., Nov 06, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Lamar M. Chambers, senior vice president and chief financial officer of Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH), will make a presentation at the Longbow Research Third Annual Paper, Packaging and Chemicals Conference in Chicago, III., on Thursday, Nov. 12, 2009, at 2:15 p.m. CST. In his remarks, Chambers will review Ashland's businesses, strategies and priorities.

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An audio webcast will be presented live and can be accessed, along with supporting materials, through the Ashland website at www.ashland.com. The replay will be available within 24 hours of the live presentation and will be archived, along with supporting materials, on Ashland's website for 12 months. Copies of the presentation can also be requested by sending an e-mail to investor_relations@ashland.com or by calling 859-815-4454.

Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH) provides specialty chemical products, services and solutions for many of the world's most essential needs and industries. Serving customers in more than 100 countries, it operates through five commercial units: Ashland Aqualon Functional Ingredients, Ashland Hercules Water Technologies, Ashland Performance Materials, Ashland Consumer Markets (Valvoline) and Ashland Distribution. To learn more about Ashland, visit <u>www.ashland.com</u>.

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