UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 4 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP () Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b). 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Pfeiffer, Jane C. 1050 Beach Road

Vero Beach, FL 32963

- 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ashland Inc. ASH
- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year December 16, 20025. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director () 10% Owner () Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)
- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person

() Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

1. Title of Security	2. 3. 4.Securities Acquired (A) Transaction or Disposed of (D) 							5.Amount of Securities Beneficially	6.Dir 7.Nature of Indirect ect Beneficial Ownership (D)or		
	 Da	l te Co	 de V	Amount		A/ D	Price	Owned at End of Month	Indi ect(•	
Common Stock	I	ı	1.1		1	1		2,202	D	1	
Common Stock								2,000 (1)	D		

Table II Derivativ	e Securit	ites A	cquire	d, Disposed	of, c	or Bene	ficial	ly Owne	d					
1.Title of Derivative Security	version or Exer cise Price of Deriva- tive Secu-	Transa 	action 	5.Number of rivative rities Ao red(A) of posed of	Secu cqui r Dis (D) A/ D	cisab Expir Date(Day/Y Date Exer-	le and ation	of U Secu Tit	nderly rities	ing Number	of Deri vative Secu rity 	9.Number of Deriva tive Securities Benefi ficially Owned at End of Month	Dir ect	
Option (2)	37.50 		 	1		7-28- 94		Common	Stock	1,000 	 	1,000 	D	
Option (2)	33.00		 			•	1-27- 05	Common	Stock	1,000 		1,000 	D 	
Option (2)	43.125 					7-31- 97		Common	Stock	1,000 		1,000 	D 	
Option (2)	52.75 					7-30- 98		Common	Stock	1,000 		1,000 	D 	
Option (3)	46.76						2-29- 12	Common	Stock	2,500 		2,500 	D 	
Common Stock Units (4)	1-for-1 	12-16 -02	J 	57 	A 			Common	Stock	57 	\$29.760 	15,072 	D 	
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares of restricted common stock acquired pursuant to Ashland's stock incentive plans as approved by shareholders and exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- 2. Stock options (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) granted pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation and Stock Incentive Plan for Non-Employee Directors. The stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan.
- 3. Stock options (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) under Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan. The stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan.
- 4. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors as of 12-16-02, 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)
SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

Amelia A. McCarty - Attorney-in-fact DATE December 17, 2002