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Ashland Inc. Executive to Speak at Credit Suisse Chemical Conference

COVINGTON, Ky., Sept. 13 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- J. Marvin Quin, senior vice president and chief financial officer, Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH), will present at Credit Suisse's 19th Annual Chemical Conference in New York City next week. Quin will address the conference on Sept. 19 at 9:45 a.m. at Credit Suisse's offices at One Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y.

In his remarks, Quin will update the audience on performance of the businesses and the outlook for the quarter, and will take a look at Ashland's future as a diversified, global chemical company.

An audio webcast will be presented live and can be accessed, along with supporting materials, through the Ashland Inc. website at www.ashland.com. The audio replay will be available within 24 hours of the live presentation and will be archived on Ashland's website for 90 days. Supporting materials will be available 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), a diversified, global chemical company, provides quality products, services and solutions to customers in more than 100 countries. A FORTUNE 500 company, it operates through four wholly owned divisions: Ashland Performance Materials, Ashland Distribution, Valvoline and Ashland Water Technologies. To learn more about Ashland, visit www.ashland.com.

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