CHAMBERS LAMAR M

Form 4

November 20, 2009

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CHAMBERS LAMAR M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ASH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
50 E. RIVERCENTER BOULEVARD			(Month/Day/Year) 11/18/2009	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
COVINGTON, KY 41012-0391				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecurities Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock						14,595 (1)	I	401(k)
Common Stock						2,738 <u>(2)</u>	I	Lesop

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 37.69	11/18/2009		A(3)	23,700	11/18/2010	12/18/2019	Common Stock	23,7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHAMBERS LAMAR M 50 E. RIVERCENTER BOULEVARD COVINGTON, KY 41012-0391

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/David B. Mattingly, Attorney-in-Fact

11/20/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Based on Employee Savings Plan information as of 11-18-09, the latest date for which such information is reasonably available.
- (2) Shares accrued under Ashland's Leveraged Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of 11-18-09.
- (3) Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to the 2006 Ashland Inc. Incentive Plan which vests in three annual installments: 50% after the 1st year, the next 25% the 2nd year and the remaining 25% the 3rd year.

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