ASHLAND INC.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Schumann Anne T.

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SECURITIES

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ASHLAND INC. [ASH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/18/2015

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title below) below) Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

1313 N MARKET STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

WILMINGTON, DE 19894

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common $A^{(1)}$ 11/18/2015 1,859 Α $12,967 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ D 111.89 Stock

Common $1,283 \frac{(3)}{2}$ I 401(K) Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number conf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Date (Month/Day/Year	•	7. Title and An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title 1
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 111.89	11/18/2015		A	4,300	11/18/2016(4)	12/18/2025(4)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>	11/18/2015		A	850	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Schumann Anne T.						
1313 N MARKET STREET			Vice President			
WILMINGTON DE 19894						

Signatures

/s/ Issa O. Yesufu, Attorney-in-Fact

11/20/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Ashland Common Stock acquired upon settlement of LTIP award pursuant to Ashland's Amended and Restated 2011 Incentive Plan and exempt under Rule 16b-3(d).
- (2) Includes 5,911 shares of unvested Restricted Stock.
- (3) Based on Employee Savings Plan information as of November 18, 2015, the latest date for which such information is reasonably available.
- (4) Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2015 Ashland Inc. Incentive Plan which vests in three annual installments: 50% after the first year, the next 25% the second year and the remaining 25% the third year.
- (5) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a right to receive one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.
- (6) Grant of Restricted Stock Units, pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2015 Ashland Inc. Incentive Plan as approved by the shareholders and exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3. The shares in this grant will vest in three equal annual installments beginning one year from the date

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of grant, provided that the Reported Person remains in continuous employment with the Issuer.

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