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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Harris Theodore L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First) (Middle)		ASHLAND INC. [ASH] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
5200 BLAZER PARKWAY			(Month/Day/Year) 11/14/2012	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President		
(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		
DUBLIN, OH 43017				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A	Acquired, Disposed of, or Reneficially Owner		

(City)	(State) (Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	(A) or	d 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)	
Common Stock	11/14/2012		A(1)	4,917	A	\$0	20,566	D	
Common Stock	11/14/2012		F(2)	2,063	D	\$ 70.37	18,503	D	
Common Stock							1,636 <u>(3)</u>	I	401(k)

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 of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	Secu
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar or Nu of
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 70.37	11/14/2012		A(4)	13,100	11/14/2013(4)	12/14/2022	Common Stock	1:

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Harris Theodore L

5200 BLAZER PARKWAY Senior Vice President

DUBLIN, OH 43017

Signatures

/s/ David A. Rines,

Attorney-in-Fact 11/16/2012

**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) Ashland Common Stock acquired upon settlement of LTIP award pursuant to the 2006 Ashland Inc. Incentive Plan and exempt under Rule 16b-3(d).
- (2) Payment of tax liability by withholding of securities incident to the settlement of LTIP award referenced in footnote 1.
- (3) Based on Employee Savings Plan information as of 11-14-12, the latest date for which such information is reasonably available.
- (4) Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to the 2011 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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