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1(b).

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Add Schumann An | dress of Reporting Person * nne T. | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ASH] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | | | |
| 1313 N MARKET STREET | | (Month/Day/Year) 04/21/2016 | Director 10% Owner Self-below) | | | |
| | (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Fi | | | | |
| WILMINGTO | ON, DE 19894 | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

| (City) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or B | | | | | | | of, or Beneficial | Beneficially Owned | | |
|------------------------|---|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|------------|-------------|--|----------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| 1.Title of Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 3. Transactio | 4. Securities onAcquired (A) or | | | 5. Amount of Securities | 6. Ownership Form: Direct | 7. Nature of Indirect | | |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | Disposed of (D) | | | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial | | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Code V | (Instr. 3, Amount | (A) or (D) | 5) Price | Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 04/21/2016 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 195 | D | \$ 115 | 11,688 <u>(2)</u> | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 1,293 (3) | 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)

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| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | isable and | 7. Titl | e and | 8. Price of | 9 |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orNumber | Expiration Da | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | J |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | 5 |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Secur | ities | (Instr. 5) |] |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | (|
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | J |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | J |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | 7 |
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| | | | | | | Exercisable Date | Date | | Number | | |
| | | | | C 1 W | (A) (D) | | | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

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/ Jennifer I. Henkel, Attorney-in-Fact 04/22/2016

**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) The transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 30, 2015.
- (2) Includes 5,955 shares of unvested Restricted Stock.
- (3) Based on Employee Savings Plan information as of April 15, 2016, the latest date for which such information is reasonably available.

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