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Form 4

January 31, 2003

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

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

Schaefer, George A.

Fifth Third Bancorp.

38 Fountain Square Plaza

Cincinnati, OH 45263

Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ashland Inc.

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- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year January 30, 2003
- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) (X) Director () 10% Owner () Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)
- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 - (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 - () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I Non-Derivative	Securities Acquired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1. Title of Security	2. 3. 4.Securities Acqu Transaction or Disposed of Date Code V Amount		5.Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month
Common Stock	1-30-0 J 1,000	A \$1.00	1,000 (1)

Table II		Derivative	Securitites	Acquired,	Disposed	of,	or	Beneficially (Owned
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	Deriva-						Date Expir		
	tive					A/	Exer- ation	Title and Number	
	Secu-					D	cisa- Date	of Shares	
	rity	Date	Code V	V	Amount		ble		1

Option (2) | 27.22 | 1-30-| J | 2,500 | A | 7-30-| 2-29-| Common Stock | 2,500 |

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Explanation of Responses:

1. Grant of restricted common stock under Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan as approved by shareholders and exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

2. Grant of stock options (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) under Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan. The stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

M. Craig Hall - Attorney-in-Fact

DATE

January 31, 2003