ASHLAND INC. Form 4

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## FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Manager Vada O

ASHLAND INC. [ASH]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director

8203 WATERSIDE COURT

(Month/Day/Year) 06/15/2015

10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

FORT WASHINGTON, MD 20744

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Code (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

> Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Derivativ
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		(Instr. 5)

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	Derivative Security				Acqu (A) c	oosed O) tr. 3,					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock Units	\$ 0 (1)	06/15/2015	<u>J(2)</u>		1		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1	\$ 125.4
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	06/15/2015	<u>J(5)</u>		75		<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	75	\$ 125.4

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Manager Vada O								
8203 WATERSIDE COURT	X							
FORT WASHINGTON, MD 20744								

## **Signatures**

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

06/17/2015

\*\*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) 1-for-1
- (2) Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan") and exempt under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)
- (3) Subject to any deferral election on timing of distribution by the reporting person under the Plan, the Common Stock Units are payable in Common Stock upon the reporting person's separation from service as a director.
- (4) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a right to receive one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.
- Restricted Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan") for Non-Employee Directors and exempt (5) from Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Restricted Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)
- (6) Subject to any deferral election on timing of distribution by the reporting person under the Plan, the reporting person may, prior to vesting, elect to receive the Restricted Stock Units in Common Stock or cash upon separation from service as a director.

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