ASHLAND INC. Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading FERNANDEZ-MORENO LUIS M Issuer Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ASH] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 8145 BLAZER DRIVE 11/18/2015 below) below) Senior Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting WILMINGTON, DE 19808 Person

(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) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 11/18/2015 $A^{(1)}$ 3,423 Α $48,827 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ D 111.89 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)

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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. Transaction 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
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 111.89	11/18/2015		A	10,000	11/18/2016(3)	12/18/2025(3)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	11/18/2015		A	1,900	(5)	(5)	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FERNANDEZ-MORENO LUIS M 8145 BLAZER DRIVE WILMINGTON, DE 19808

Senior Vice President

Signatures

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

11/20/2015 Date

**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 40,123 shares of unvested Restricted Stock.
- (3) 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.
- (4) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a right to receive one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.
- Grant of Restricted Stock Units, pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2015 Ashland Inc. Incentive Plan as approved by the shareholders (5) 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 of grant, provided that the Reported Person remains in the continuous employment with the Issuer.

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