HERCULES INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Schumann Anne T.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

HERCULES INC [HPC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

HERCULES PLAZA, 1313 NORTH

(Middle)

(Zip)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year) 11/13/2008

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

(Street)

(State)

below) Vice President, HR & IT

MARKET 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

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

WILMINGTON, DE 19894

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

11/13/2008

D 34,603 D <u>(1)</u> 0 D

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDeri Secu Acqu or D (D)	urities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Lunderlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 14.125	11/13/2008		D		3,275	09/29/2003	09/29/2010	Common Stock	3,275
Stock Option	\$ 11.28	11/13/2008		D		13,100	08/23/2004	08/23/2011	Common Stock	13,100
Stock Option	\$ 11.91	11/13/2008		D		13,100	05/09/2005	05/09/2012	Common Stock	13,100

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Schumann Anne T. HERCULES PLAZA 1313 NORTH MARKET STREET WILMINGTON, DE 19894

Vice President, HR & IT

Signatures

/s/ Israel J. Floyd, Acting as Attorney in Fact for Anne T.
Schumann

11/17/2008

**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).
- Disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 10, 2008, among Ashland Inc. ("Ashland"), Ashland Sub
 One, Inc. and Hercules Incorporated ("Hercules") in exchange for \$18.60 in cash per share of Hercules common stock, 0.0930 of a share of Ashland common stock, having a market value of \$1.6647 per share on the effective date of the merger, per share of Hercules common stock and cash in lieu of fractional shares of Ashland common stock.

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