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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WARD MICHAEL J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ASHLAND INC. [ASH]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/29/2013

(Check all applicable) X_ Director 10% Owner

CSX TRANSPORTATION, 500 WATER STREET, C-900

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Officer (give title

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

4.

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Transactionof **Expiration Date** Code Derivative (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price **Underlying Securities** Derivati (Instr. 3 and 4) Security

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Secur Acqui (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. and 5)	red sed 3, 4,					(Instr. 5]
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Common Stock Units	\$ 0 (1)	03/29/2013		J(2)		303		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	303	\$ 74.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WARD MICHAEL J CSX TRANSPORTATION 500 WATER STREET, C-900 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202	X						

Signatures

/s/ David A. Rines, Attorney-in-Fact

04/02/2013

**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
- Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan") as of 3/29/2013, and exempt under Rule (2) 16b-3(d). (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common
- (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.

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