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December 30, 2002

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

Lacy, James D.

Ashland Inc.

P.O. Box 391

50 E. RiverCenter Boulevard Covington, KY 41012-0391

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ashland Inc.

- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year December 27, 2002

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 () Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other
 (specify below)
 Vice President
- 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	Securit	ies Acquir	ed, Dispose	d of, or Bene	ficiall	y Owned	
1. Title of Security	Trans	action	Securities or Disposed Amount	A/	Price	5.Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	
Common Stock	 			 		5,829 (1) 4,680 (2)	

Table II Derivati	ve Securit	ites A	Acquire	d, Disp	osed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Derivative Security		Trans	saction 	rivate rition rition red() red() poseo	tive Secues Acqui A) or Dis d of(D)	cisable and Expiration Date (Month / Day / Year) Date Expir Exer - ation O cisa - Date	of Underlying Securities Title and Number	8.P of vat Sec rit

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Option (3)	39.00 	1			 		9-19- 10-19 97 -06	Common	Stock	2 , 000	
	39.00						9-19- 10-19 98 -06		Stock	1,000	
	39.00						9-19- 10-19 99 -06		Stock	1,000	
Option (4)	53.375						9-18- 10-18 98 -07		Stock	2,000	
	53.375 						9-18- 10-18		Stock	1,000	
	53.375						9-18- 10-18 00 -07		Stock	1,000	
Option (4)	48.00						9-17- 10-17 99 -08	Common	Stock	4,000	
	48.00						9-17- 10-17 00 -08	Common	Stock	2,000	
	48.00						9-17- 10-17 01 -08		Stock	2,000 	
Option (4)	36.625 						9-16- 10-16 00 -09		Stock	10,000	
	36.625 						9-16- 10-16 01 -09	Common	Stock	10,000	
	36.625 						9-16- 10-16 02 -09		Stock	10,000	
	36.625 	 					9-16- 10-16 03 -09		Stock	10,000	
Option (5)	36.38						9-20- 10-20 02 -11				
	36.38						9-20- 10-20 03 -11		Stock	3,750 	
	36.38						9-20- 10-20 04 -11		Stock	3,750 	
Option (5)	28.13						9-19- 10-19 03 -12		Stock	7,500 	
	28.13				 		9-19- 10-19 04 -12		Stock	3 , 750	
	28.13				 		9-19- 10-19 05 -12		Stock	3 , 750	
Common Stock Units (6	6) 1-for-1	12-27 -02				A 	 	Common	Stock	10	\$27
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares accrued under Ashland's Leveraged Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of 9-30-02.
- 2. Based on Employee Savings Plan information as of 9-30-02, the latest date for which such information is reasonably available.
- 3. Employee stock option (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) granted pursuant to Ashland's 1993 Stock Incentive Plan. The employee stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan.
- 4. Employee stock option (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) granted pursuant to Ashland's 1997 Stock Incentive Plan. The employee stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan.
- 5. Employee stock option (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) granted pursuant to Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan. The employee stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan.
- 6. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's 1995 Deferred Compensation Plan as of 12-27-02, and exempt under Rule 16b-3 (d). (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the 1995 Deferred

Compensation Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock)

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

Amelia A. McCarty - Attorney-in-Fact

DATE

December 27, 2002