

ASHLAND INC.
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FERNANDEZ-MORENO LUIS M

(Last) (First) (Middle)
8145 BLAZER DRIVE
(Street)

WILMINGTON, DE 19808

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ASHLAND INC. [ASH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/24/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	Price	
Common Stock	03/24/2015		S ⁽¹⁾		1,300	D \$ 128	40,651 ⁽²⁾ D
Common Stock	03/24/2015		M ⁽¹⁾		4,305	A \$ 127.41	44,956 ⁽²⁾ D
Common Stock	03/24/2015		M ⁽¹⁾		4,320	A \$ 127.41	49,276 ⁽²⁾ D
Common Stock	03/24/2015		F ⁽³⁾		3,025	D \$ 127.41	46,251 ⁽²⁾ D
Common Stock	03/24/2015		F ⁽⁴⁾		3,032	D \$ 127.41	43,219 ⁽²⁾ D

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Common Stock 03/25/2015 S⁽¹⁾ 2,568 D \$ 127.27 40,651 ⁽²⁾ 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)

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Num of Sha
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 69.15	03/24/2015		M ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾	4,305	11/26/2013 12/26/2022	Common Stock	4,	
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 69.15	03/24/2015		M ⁽¹⁾⁽⁶⁾	4,320	11/26/2013 12/26/2022	Common Stock	4,	

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 03/26/2015

**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) The transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 2, 2015.
- (2) Includes 38,080 shares of unvested Restricted Stock.
- (3) Payment of exercise price and tax liability by withholding securities incident to the exercise of Stock Appreciation Rights referenced in footnote 5 below.
- (4) Payment of exercise price and tax liability by withholding securities incident to the exercise of Stock Appreciation Rights referenced in footnote 6 below.
- (5) Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2011 Ashland Inc. Incentive Plan which vests in three annual installments: 50% after the 1st year, the next 25% the 2nd year and the remaining 25% the 3rd year.
- (6) Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2011 Ashland Inc. Incentive Plan which vests in three annual installments: 50% after the 1st year, the next 25% the 2nd year and the remaining 25% the 3rd year.

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