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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * QUIN J MARVIN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ASH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
50 E. RIVERCENTER			06/15/2006	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
BOULEVARI	ULEVARD			Chief Financial Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
COVINGTON	I, KY 4101	2-0391		_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or of (D)	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)	
Common Stock						37,533	D		
Common Stock						5,334 (1)	I	401(K)	
Common Stock						5,831 <u>(2)</u>	I	LESOP	

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)

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactions Code Derivative (Instr. 8) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		Expiration Date ve (Month/Day/Year) es d		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock Units	\$ 0 (3)	06/15/2006		<u>J(4)</u>	297	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	297	\$ 61.6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

3 Transaction Date 3A Deemed

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

QUIN J MARVIN 50 E. RIVERCENTER BOULEVARD COVINGTON, KY 41012-0391

Chief Financial Officer

5 Number 6 Date Evergisable and 7 Title and Amount of 8 Price

Signatures

1 Title of

David B. Mattingly, Attorney-in-Fact

06/16/2006

**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).
- (3) 1-for-1
- (2) Shares accrued under Ashland's Leveraged Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of 6-15-2006.
- (4) Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan as of 6-15-06, and exempt under Rule 16b-3(d). (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)
- (1) Based on Employee Savings Plan information as of 6-15-2006, the latest date for which such information is reasonably available.

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