WILLIS J KEVIN

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ASHLAND INC. [ASH] WILLIS J KEVIN (Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2013 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 50 E. RIVERCENTER BLVD. (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) COVINGTON, Â KYÂ 41011 Form filed by More than One Chief Financial Officer Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Ι Common Stock 13,836 (1) 401(k) Common Stock 1,012 D Â Restricted Stock $10,302^{(2)}$ D Â 887 (3) Common Stock I LESOP Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial

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	(Month/Day/Year)		Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Appreciation Right	11/15/2007	12/15/2016	Common Stock	2,900	\$ 65.78 (4)	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	11/18/2010	12/18/2019	Common Stock	1,600	\$ 37.69 (4)	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	11/17/2011	12/17/2020	Common Stock	2,500	\$ 51.86 (4)	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	12/02/2012	01/02/2022	Common Stock	4,900	\$ 55.56 (5)	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	11/14/2013	12/14/2022	Common Stock	5,800	\$ 70.37 (5)	D	Â
Common Stock Units	(6)	(6)	Common Stock	14,764	\$ <u>(7)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	Director 10% Owner Officer		Othe		
WILLIS J KEVIN 50 E. RIVERCENTER BLVD. COVINGTON, KY 41011	Â	Â	Chief Financial Officer	Â		

Signatures

/s/ David A. Rines, Attorney-in-Fact 05/03/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Based on Employee Savings Plan information as of April 26, 2013, the latest date for which such information is reasonably available.
- (2) Represents shares of Restricted Common Stock acquired pursuant to Ashland's stock incentive plans as approved by the shareholders and exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- (3) Shares accrued under Ashland's Leveraged Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of 4/26/2013.
- (4) Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to the 2006 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.
- (5) Stock Appreciation Right granted pursuant to the 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) Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan") 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.)

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