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January 04, 2	2010									
FORM A									PPROVAL	
	UNITED	STATES S		RITIES A			E COMMISSIO	N OMB Number:	3235-0287	
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Form 5 obligatior may conti <i>See</i> Instru 1(b).	inue. Section 17((a) of the Pu	ublic U	tility Ho	lding Co		ange Act of 1934, t of 1935 or Secti 1940			
(Print or Type R	Responses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> WARD MICHAEL J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ASH]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) CSX TRANSPORTATION, 500 WATER STREET, C-900			(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2009				X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			al	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 					
JACKSONV	/ILLE, FL 32202	2					Person	More than One K	eporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Securities	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Year)		ate, if	Code Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				Code V	Amount	or (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Reminder: Repo	ort on a separate line	e for each clas	s of sec	urities bene	ficially ow	ned 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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Derivati
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Derivative	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Security

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Yea	ur) (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				(Instr. 5)		
			Code V	7 (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock Units	\$ 0 <u>(1)</u>	12/31/2009	J <u>(2)</u>	615		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	615	\$ 39.6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WARD MICHAEL J CSX TRANSPORTATION 500 WATER STREET, C-900 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32202	Х					
Signatures						
/s/David B. Mattingly, Attorney-in-Fact	01/04/2010					
**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 for Non-Employee Directors as of 12-31-09 and (2) exempt under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors is the

equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)

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