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ROUSE WILLIAM L JR
Form 4
September 18, 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
         Rouse, Jr., William L.
         2201 Regency Road
         Suite 602
         Lexington, Kentucky 40503
      2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
         Ashland Inc.
         ASH
      3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
      4. Statement for Month/Year
         September 16, 2002
      5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
      6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
         (X) Director ( ) 10% Owner ( ) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other
         (specify below)
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- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 - (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 - () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

1. Title of Security	2. 3. 4.S Transaction o	5.Amount of Securities Beneficially	
	 Date Code V	A/ Amount D Pri	Owned at
Common Stock	1 1 1 1	1 1	2,000 (1)
Common Stock			6,513

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Table II -- Derivative Securitites Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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Option (2)	37.50 	 	 	 			7-28- 94	- 1-28- 04	- Common 	Stock	1,000 	
Option (2)	33.00 	 			 		7-27- 95	- 1-27- 05	- Common 	Stock	1,000 	
Option (2)	43.125 	 					7-31- 97	- 1-31- 07	- Common 	Stock	1,000 	
Option (2)	52.75 						7-30- 98	- 1-30- 08	- Common 	Stock	1,000 	
Option (3)	46.76 	 	 		 		7-31- 02	- 2-29- 12	- Common 	Stock	2,500 	
Common St	cock Units (4)	1-for-1 	9-16- 02	 J 	 	181 	A 			Common 	Stock	181 	\$28

Explanation of Responses:

1. 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. 2. Stock options (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) granted pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation and Stock Incentive Plan for Non-Employee Directors. The stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan. 3. Stock options (represents a right to buy Ashland Common Stock) under Ashland's Amended and Restated Incentive Plan. The stock option includes a tax withholding feature pursuant to the plan. 4. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors as of September 16, 2002, payable in cash or stock upon termination in service, and exempt under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock) SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON Amelia A. McCarty - Attorney - in - Fact DATE September 16, 2002