

ASHLAND INC.  
Form S-8 POS  
March 10, 2011  
Post-Effective Amendment No. 2  
Registration No. 333-33617-99

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 2  
TO FORM S-8  
REGISTRATION STATEMENT  
Under the Securities Act of 1933

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ASHLAND INC.  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Kentucky  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

20-0865835  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

50 E. RiverCenter Boulevard  
P.O. Box 391  
Covington, KY 41012-0391  
(859) 815-3333

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area  
code, of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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Ashland Inc. 1997 Stock Incentive Plan  
(Full title of the Plan)

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David L. Hausrath, Esq.  
Senior Vice President and General Counsel  
50 E. RiverCenter Boulevard  
P.O. Box 391  
Covington, KY 41012-0391  
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(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer,

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or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of “large accelerated filer,” “accelerated filer” and “smaller reporting company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Smaller reporting company	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company).

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The securities offering issued pursuant to this Registration Statement by Ashland Inc. (“Ashland”) has terminated. 284,246 shares of Ashland Common Stock issued pursuant to this Registration Statement remain unsold. Ashland hereby deregisters all remaining 284,246 shares registered pursuant to the Ashland Inc. 1997 Stock Incentive Plan.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 8. Exhibits.

The following Exhibits are filed as part of this Registration Statement.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized in the City of Covington, Commonwealth of Kentucky, on March 10, 2011.

ASHLAND INC.

By: /s/ David L. Hausrath  
Name: David L. Hausrath  
Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Pursuant to the requirements of the Act, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities indicated on March 10, 2011.

Signature	Title
* James J. O'Brien	Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)
/s/ Lamar M. Chambers Lamar M. Chambers	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)
/s/ J. William Heitman J. William Heitman	Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)
* Roger W. Hale	Director
* Kathleen Ligocki	Director
* George A. Schaefer, Jr.	Director
* Theodore M. Solso	Director
* Michael J. Ward	Director

\*By: /s/ David L. Hausrath  
David L. Hausrath  
Attorney-in-Fact

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