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ASHLAND INC.  
Form 8-K  
January 03, 2006

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): December 29, 2005

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

Kentucky  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-32532  
(Commission File Number)

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

50 E. RiverCenter Boulevard, Covington, Kentucky 41012-0391  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

P.O. Box 391, Covington, Kentucky 41012-0391  
(Mailing Address) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (859) 815-3333

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events

Effective December 29, 2005, Ashland Inc. took the actions required under the indenture dated August 15, 1989, as later amended (the "Indenture") to discharge certain obligations with regard to following notes: 6.625% Senior Notes (CUSIP No.: 044204AC9) (\$2,960,000), 7.90% Series F Medium-Term Notes (CUSIP No.: 04454CDG8) (\$1,604,000), 7.79% Series F Medium-Term Notes (CUSIP No.: 04454CDH6) (\$1,200,000), 8.38% Series F Medium-Term Notes (CUSIP No.: 04420QAK2) (\$8,500,000), 7.40% Series G Medium-Term Notes (CUSIP No.: 04420QAV8) (\$2,541,000), 7.16% Series G Medium-Term Notes (CUSIP No.: 04420QAY2) (\$5,000,000), 7.71% Series G Medium-Term Notes (CUSIP No.: 04420QAN6)

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(\$5,000,000), 6.86% Series H Medium-Term Notes (CUSIP No.: 04420QBD7)  
(\$17,105,000). Such discharges are subject to certain remaining conditions  
provided in the Indenture.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by  
the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

ASHLAND INC.

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(Registrant)

Date: January 3, 2006

/s/ J. Marvin Quin

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Name: J. Marvin Quin  
Title: Senior Vice President,  
and Chief Financial Officer