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ASHLAND INC Form 8-K October 29, 2004

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): October 28, 2004

ASHLAND INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Kentucky

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-2918 61-0122250 (Commission File Number) (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

As previously disclosed, APAC-Missouri, Inc., an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Ashland Inc., and one current APAC-Missouri, Inc. employee were each indicted on a single charge alleging a violation of U.S. federal antitrust laws in connection with a single project bid by the Central

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Division of APAC-Missouri, Inc. in 2000. Trial of this matter was conducted in the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri, with the jury returning a not guilty verdict as to both APAC-Missouri, Inc. and the current APAC-Missouri, Inc. employee on October 28, 2004.

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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.
-----(Registrant)

Date: October 29, 2004 /s/ J. Marvin Quin

Name: J. Marvin Quin

Title: Senior Vice President

and Chief Financial Officer