HERCULES INC Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or	Type I	Responses)
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Raymond Paul C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

HERCULES INC [HPC]

(Check all applicable)

HERCULES PLAZA, 1313 N

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

11/13/2008

below) VP & President PTV

MARKET STREET

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

WILMINGTON, DE 19894

(City)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code Amount (D) Price

Common 11/13/2008 Stock

D 87,105 D <u>(1)</u> 0 D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned 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)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4.	5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of	
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Wolldin Day, Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)			Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 12.22	11/13/2008		D		42,960	11/13/2008	02/16/2016	Common Stock	42,960

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Raymond Paul C HERCULES PLAZA 1313 N MARKET STREET WILMINGTON, DE 19894

VP & President PTV

Signatures

/s/ Israel J. Floyd, Acting as Attorney in Fact for Paul C.
Raymond

11/17/2008

**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).

Disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 10, 2008, among Ashland Inc. ("Ashland"), Ashland Sub One, Inc. and Hercules Incorporated ("Hercules") in exchange for \$18.60 in cash per share of Hercules common stock, 0.0930 of a share of Ashland common stock, having a market value of \$1.6647 per share on the effective date of the merger, per share of Hercules common stock and cash in lieu of fractional shares of Ashland common stock.

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