

HERCULES INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Catalano Anna C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1313 N. MARKET ST, HERCULES PLAZA

(Street)

WILMINGTON, DE 19894

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HERCULES INC [HPC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/13/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

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

Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/13/2008		D	2,250	D 15,565	D	
Common Stock (RSUs)	11/13/2008		D	15,565	D \$ 20.55 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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 10.82	11/13/2008		D	3,000	11/07/2006 11/07/2015	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Options	\$ 17.81	11/13/2008		D	3,000	10/26/2007 10/26/2016	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Options	\$ 19.45	11/13/2008		D	3,000	10/29/2008 10/29/2017	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Catalano Anna C 1313 N. MARKET ST HERCULES PLAZA WILMINGTON, DE 19894		X		

Signatures

/s/ Israel J. Floyd, Acting as Attorney in Fact for Anna C.
Catalano

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).

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- (1) 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.
- (2) This option was assumed by Ashland in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase 2,946 shares of Ashland common stock for \$11.02 per share.
- (3) This option was assumed by Ashland in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase 2,946 shares of Ashland common stock for \$18.14 per share.

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- (4) This option was assumed by Ashland in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase 2,946 shares of Ashland common stock for \$19.81 per share.

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