Mr. Thomas F. McBride Associate-Special Prosecutor Department of Justice 1425 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. McBride:

By letter of October 4, 1974, to Leon Jaworski, Stanley Sporkin, the Director of the Division of Enforcement, requested that our staff be granted access to any relevant information your office might provide about misuse of corporate funds of any public company.

We hereby request that you grant our staff access to any matters not protected by Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 6(e) which relate to misuse of corporate funds of Ashland Oil, Inc.

Thank you for your continuing assistance.

Sincerely,

Robert G. Ryan Branch Chief

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