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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** REICH VICTORIA			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	ECOLAB INC [ECL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O UNITED STATIONERS INC., ONE PARKWAY NORTH BLVD., SUITE 100		NERS	(Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2011	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			

DEERFIELD, IL 60015-2559

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab l	e I - Non-I	Derivative (Securi	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) our Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
_			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	03/31/2011		A	209.71	A	\$ 0	3,444.82	D		
Common Stock	03/31/2011		A	456.43	A	\$ 50.665	3,910.46 (1)	D		
Common Stock							1,000	I	held by the Robert Reich Trust	

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	ying les	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

REICH VICTORIA C/O UNITED STATIONERS INC. ONE PARKWAY NORTH BLVD., SUITE 100 **DEERFIELD, IL 60015-2559**

X

Signatures

David F. Duvick, as Attorney-In-Fact for Victoria Reich

04/04/2011

**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).
- Includes 9.21 shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Ecolab Inc. 2001 Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Deferred Compensation Plan.

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