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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION						т	PPROVAL		
	UNITEDS		URITIES A Vashington,			COMMISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287	
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1(b).									
(Print or Type Respo	onses)								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Mulhere Timothy P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ECOLAB INC [ECL]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Ľ	-		(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) ECOLAB INC., 370 WABASHA STREET NORTH			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/04/2013			Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP & Pres-Global Water			
(Street) ST. PAUL, MN 55102			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Month/Day/Year)		Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) ,	able I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurities Ad	equired, Disposed o	f. or Beneficia	llv Owned	
	Transaction Date Ionth/Day/Year)		3. , if Transacti Code ear) (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	ies (A) or of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	-	
Common Stock						9,019 (1)	D		
Common Stock						1,680.48 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Ecolab Savings Plan	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 103.265	12/04/2013		А	21,520	12/04/2014 <u>(3)</u>	12/04/2023	Common Stock	21,5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
, of the second second	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Mulhere Timothy P ECOLAB INC. 370 WABASHA STREET NORTH ST. PAUL, MN 55102			EVP & Pres-Global Water				
Signatures							
David F. Duvick, as Attorney-in-Fact for Timothy P.							
Mulhere			12/06/2013				
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Per	rson		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).
- (1) Includes 1.5 shares acquired by reporting person on April 16, 2013, 1.3 shares acquired on July 16, 2013 and 1.2 shares acquired on October 16, 2013 by a dividend reinvestment feature under the Ecolab Stock Purchase Plan.

Number of UNITS in the Ecolab Stock Fund of the Ecolab Savings Plan (401(k) Plan) as of October 31, 2013. Includes 30.239 UNITS (2) acquired since the reporting person's last report. (The 1,680.480 UNITS are the equivalent of approximately 3,103 shares of the issuer's

Common Stock.)

The option will be exercisable, on a cumulative basis, as to one-third of the option shares (excluding any fractional portion less than one(3) share), on each of the first and second anniversaries of the date of grant and as to the remaining shares on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

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