Inchaustegui Roberto Form 4 August 03, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Inchaustegui Roberto			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ECOLAB INC. [ECL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
1 ECOLAB PL	ACE		(Month/Day/Year) 08/02/2018	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & Pres-Global Serv & Spec		
	(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		
SAINT PAUL,	MN 55102			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	ed, 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				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	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(III3u. +)	
Common Stock	08/02/2018		M	10,600	A	\$ 48.055	33,202	D	
Common Stock	08/02/2018		S	10,600	D	\$ 145.711 (1)	22,602	D	
Common Stock							1,629.261 (2)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	iorDerivative Securities		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)	\$ 48.055	08/02/2018		M		10,600	12/01/2011(3)	12/01/2020	Common Stock	10,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Inchaustegui Roberto 1 ECOLAB PLACE SAINT PAUL, MN 55102

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Signatures

/s/ David F. Duvick, as Attorney-in-Fact for Roberto Inchaustegui

08/03/2018

**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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$145.66 to \$145.851, inclusive. The price reported above reflects (1) the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- Number of UNITS in the Ecolab Stock Fund of the Ecolab Savings Plan (401(k) Plan) as of July 31, 2018. Includes 9.088 UNITS (2) acquired since the reporting person's last report. (The 1,629.261 UNITS are the equivalent of approximately 2,9994 SHARES of the issuer's Common Stock.)

(3)

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The option became exercisable, on a cumulative basis, as to one-third of the option shares (excluding any fractional portion less than one 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. The date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column represents the first anniversary date of the date of grant.

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