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FORM 4

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Form 5 obligations STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Busch Angela M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			ECOLAB INC. [ECL]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
1 ECOLAB	PLACE		08/28/2018	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				EVP - Corp & Bus Dev			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
				X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/28/2018		M	2,000	A	\$ 35.63	19,974 (1)	D	
Common StTock	08/28/2018		F(2)	940	D	\$ 150.105	19,034	D	
Common Stock							1,288.683 (3)	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)		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Employ	ee.			Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to	\$ 36.63	08/28/2018		M	2,000	12/03/2009(4)	12/03/2018	Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Busch Angela M 1 ECOLAB PLACE SAINT PAUL, MN 55102

EVP - Corp & Bus Dev

Signatures

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/s/ David F. Duvick, as Attorney-in-Fact for Angela M. Busch

08/30/2018

**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).
- (1) Includes 4 additional shares acquired since the reporting person's last report under the Ecolab Stock Purchase Plan, including dividend reinvestment.
- (2) Reflects the reporting person's payment of the exercise price and withholding taxes for a stock option issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3 by delivering or withholding shares of Ecolab common stock.
- Number of UNITS in the Ecolab Stock Fund of the Ecolab Savings Plan (401(k) Plan) as of June 30, 2018. Includes 3.697 UNITS (3) acquired since the reporting person's last report. (The 1,288.683 UNITS are the equivalent of approximately 2,368 SHARES of the issuer's Common Stock.)

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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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