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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).

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEVIN JERRY W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

ECOLAB INC [ECL]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

06/30/2006

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

J. W. LEVIN PARTNERS, LLC, 9 WEST 57TH STREET, 26TH **FLOOR**

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3.

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

06/30/2006

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Ownership Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

\$0

Code V (D) Price Amount 183.69

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85,850 (1)

D

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	nt of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
	Derivative Security				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne Follo
					(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director

Director

Director

Director

Director

Director

Officer

Other

LEVIN JERRY W

J. W. LEVIN PARTNERS, LLC

9 WEST 57TH STREET, 26TH FLOOR

NEW YORK, NY 10019

Signatures

/s/David F. Duvick, Attorney-in-Fact for Jerry Levin 07/05/2006

**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 53.93 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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