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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of R Mulhere Timothy P	eporting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ECOLAB INC [ECL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
ECOLAB INC., 370 WABASHA STREET NORTH		03/10/2014	X Officer (give title 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
ST. PAUL, MN 55102						

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ole I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onDisposed (Instr. 3, 4	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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/10/2014		M	17,200	A	\$ 34.075	28,217.8	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2014		S	17,200	D	\$ 109.4537	11,017.8	D	
Common Stock							1,688.049 (1)	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)	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 Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.075	03/10/2014		M	17,200	12/07/2006(2)	12/07/2015	Common Stock	17,2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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 03/11/2014

**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).
- Number of UNITS in the Ecolab Stock Fund of the Ecolab Savings Plan (401(k) Plan) as of February 28, 2014. Includes 2.091 UNITS (1) acquired since the reporting person's last report. (The 1,688.049 UNITS are the equivalent of approximately 3,116 shares of the issuer's Common Stock.)
- Option granted under the Ecolab Inc. 2002 Stock Incentive Plan on December 7, 2005. 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 option shares on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

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