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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Ballard Shari L Issuer Symbol ECOLAB INC. [ECL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O ECOLAB INC., 1 ECOLAB 12/31/2018 below) **PLACE** 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 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 SAINT PAUL, MN 55102

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1.Title of	2. Tran	action Date	2A. Deemed	3.		4. Securit	ies		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month	Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transac	Transaction		(A) o	r	Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or		Indirect
(Instr. 3)			any	Code	Code		of (D)			Beneficial
			(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	3)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
									Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
							(A)		Reported		
							(A)		Transaction(s)		
				Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Commo Stock	on 12/31	2018		A		59.92	A	\$0	59.92	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Amou Under Securi (Instr.	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Ballard Shari L							
C/O ECOLAB INC.	X						
1 ECOLAB PLACE	Λ						
SAINT PAUL, MN 55102							

Signatures

/s/David F. Duvick, as Attorney-in-Fact for Shari L.
Ballard
01/03/2019

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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