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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Beck Christophe Issuer Symbol ECOLAB INC [ECL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 370 WABASHA STREET NORTH 02/26/2015 below) **EVP** and Regions President (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

SAINT PAUL, MN 55102

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--------|--------|----------------------|--------------|---|---|------------------------------|--|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or | | | Securities Ownership | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (D) | Price | (IIIsti. 3 and 4) | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/26/2015 | | A | 7,380 | A | \$ 0 | 22,367 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 02/26/2015 | | F(1) | 2,490 | D | \$ 115.62 | 19,877 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 1,076.608 (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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | | | le and | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu Deriv |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|---|----------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|------------------------|---|
| Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Security (Instr. 5) | Secur Bene Owne 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

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Beck Christophe

370 WABASHA STREET NORTH SAINT PAUL, MN 55102

EVP and Regions President

Signatures

David F. Duvick, as Attorney-In-Fact for Christophe Beck

03/02/2015

**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) Reflects the reporting person's payment of minimum statutory tax obligations by withholding shares of Ecolab Common Stock incident to the vesting of performance-based restricted stock units in accordance with Rule 16b-3.
- Number of UNITS in the Ecolab Stock Fund of the Ecolab Savings Plan (401(k) Plan) as of January 31, 2015. Includes 3.491 UNITS (2) acquired since the reporting person's last report. (The 1,076.608 UNITS are the equivalent of approximately 1,989 SHARES of the issuer's Common Stock.)

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