

ECOLAB INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**LUMPKINS ROBERT L**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ECOLAB INC., 370 WABASHA STREET N**

(Street)

**SAINT PAUL, MN 55102**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ECOLAB INC [ECL]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/31/2012**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |  |   |                                   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                             |  |   |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/26/2012                           |  | G                              | V   | 2,016   | D  | \$ 0                              | 4,684                                      | I | By grantor retained annuity trust |
| Common Stock                    | 03/26/2012                           |  | G                              | V   | 2,016   | A  | \$ 0                              | 40,998.95 <sup>(1)</sup>                   | D |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/31/2012                           |  | A                              |   | 202.13  | A  | \$ 0                              | 41,281.38 <sup>(1)</sup><br><sub>(2)</sub> | 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)

| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | 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 |
| LUMPKINS ROBERT L<br>ECOLAB INC.<br>370 WABASHA STREET N<br>SAINT PAUL, MN 55102 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ David F. Duvick, as Attorney-in-Fact for Robert L. Lumpkins

04/03/2012

\*\*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).

Column 5 of the Form 4 filed by Mr. Lumpkins on March 7, 2012 reporting his direct ownership of 14,784 shares of Ecolab common

(1) stock was incorrect because it did not include 24,198.95 previously-reported Ecolab securities as a part of the total. As corrected, the total should have been 38,982.95 shares. The corrected total has been carried forward in column 5 of this report.

(2) Includes 80.30 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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