

ECOLAB INC
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 15)*

Ecolab Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

278865100

(CUSIP Number)

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February 27, 2008

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

This Amendment No. 15 (this Amendment) amends and supplements the Schedule 13D filed on December 20, 1989, as previously amended (the Schedule 13D), of Henkel KGaA (KGaA) and, together with its affiliates, The Henkel Group) and Henkel Corporation (as successor by merger to HC Investments, Inc.), with respect to the Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (Common Stock), of Ecolab Inc. (Ecolab or the Company). All capitalized terms used in this Amendment and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Schedule 13D.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

The names, addresses, occupations and citizenship of the executive officers and members of the board of directors, or equivalent body, of each of KGaA and Henkel Corporation are set forth in Schedule I hereto. None of KGaA, Henkel Corporation or, to the best of their knowledge, Henkel of America, Inc. or any of the persons listed on Schedule I hereto has, during the last five years, been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

On February 27, 2008, KGaA issued a press release, attached as Exhibit 24 and incorporated by reference in its entirety, in which it announced its intention to undertake the divestiture of all or part of its stake in Ecolab. No final decision has been taken at this time as to the size, the timing and the method of any such divestiture, which would be carried out in accordance with the Stockholder's Agreement. Neither the press release nor this amendment is intended as, nor shall either constitute, an offer of any shares of Common Stock.

Except as set forth herein, KGaA and Henkel Corporation have no current plans or proposals that relate to or would result in any of the actions or events enumerated in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D, as promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Item 7. Material to be filed as Exhibits.
Exhibit 24 Press release issued by Henkel KGaA on February 27, 2008

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, we certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 27, 2008

Henkel KGaA

By: /s/ Thomas Gerd Kühn

Name: Thomas Gerd Kühn

Title: General Counsel

By: /s/ Heinz Nicolas

Name: Heinz Nicolas

Title: Senior Corporate Counsel

Henkel Corporation

By: /s/ Paul R. Berry

Name: Paul R. Berry

Title: Senior Vice President and
Chief Legal Officer

Exhibit Index

Exhibit 1	Stock Purchase Agreement by and among HC Investments, Inc., Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of December 11, 1989	(i)
Exhibit 2	Amendment No. 1 to Stock Purchase Agreement by and among HC Investments, Inc., Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of December 11, 1989	(i)
Exhibit 3	Confidentiality Agreement between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated November 13, 1989	(i)
Exhibit 4	Press Release issued by Ecolab Inc. and Henkel KGaA on December 11, 1989	(i)
Exhibit 5	Amendment No. 2 to Stock Purchase Agreement by and among HC Investments, Inc., Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of September 11, 1990	(ii)
Exhibit 6	Umbrella Agreement by and between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of September 11, 1990	(ii)
Exhibit 7	Joint Venture Agreement by and between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of September 11, 1990	(ii)
Exhibit 8	Stockholder s Agreement between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of September 11, 1990	(ii)
Exhibit 9	Amendment No. 3 to Stock Purchase Agreement by and among HC Investments, Inc., Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of March 8, 1991	(iii)
Exhibit 10	First Amendment to the Umbrella Agreement by and between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of March 8, 1991	(iii)
Exhibit 11	First Amendment to the Joint Venture Agreement by and between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of March 8, 1991	(iii)
Exhibit 12	First Amendment to the Stockholder s Agreement between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of March 8, 1991	(iii)

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Exhibit 13	Amended and Restated Umbrella Agreement by and between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of June 26, 1991	(iv)
Exhibit 14	Amended and Restated Joint Venture Agreement by and between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of June 26, 1991	(iv)
Exhibit 15	Amended and Restated Stockholder s Agreement between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of June 26, 1991	(iv)
Exhibit 16	Press Release issued by Ecolab Inc. and Henkel KGaA on July 11, 1991	(iv)
Exhibit 17	Amendment No. 1 to Amended and Restated Stockholder s Agreement between Henkel KGaA and Ecolab Inc. dated as of June 30, 2000	(v)
Exhibit 18	Master Agreement, dated as of December 7, 2000, between Ecolab Inc. and Henkel KGaA	(v)
Exhibit 19	Form of Amended Stockholder s Agreement	(v)
Exhibit 20	Purchases of Common Stock from December 14, 2000 through October 5, 2001	(vi)
Exhibit 21	Purchases of Common Stock from October 9, 2001 through November 23, 2001	(vii)
Exhibit 22	Agreement to be Bound by Chemie dated as of December 31, 2002	(viii)
Exhibit 23	Agreement to be Bound by Henkel Corporation dated as of December 15, 2004	(ix)
Exhibit 24	Press release issued by Henkel KGaA on February 27, 2008	—

- (i) Previously filed as an Exhibit to the Schedule 13D on December 20, 1989.
- (ii) Previously filed as an Exhibit to Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D on September 17, 1990.
- (iii) Previously filed as an Exhibit to Amendment No. 3 to the Schedule 13D on March 15, 1991.

- (iv) Previously filed as an Exhibit to Amendment No. 4 to the Schedule 13D on July 16, 1991.
- (v) Previously filed as an Exhibit to Amendment No. 5 to the Schedule 13D on December 15, 2000.
- (vi) Previously filed as an Exhibit to Amendment No. 6 to the Schedule 13D on October 9, 2001.
- (vii) Previously filed as an Exhibit to Amendment No. 7 to the Schedule 13D on November 26, 2001.
- (viii) Previously filed as an Exhibit to Amendment No. 9 to the Schedule 13D on January 8, 2003.
- (ix) Previously filed as an Exhibit to Amendment No. 12 to the Schedule 13D on February 1, 2005.

Schedule I

Officers and Directors of Henkel Corporation

The following table sets forth the name, business address, position with Henkel Corporation and present principal occupation of each director and executive officer of Henkel Corporation. Except as set out below, each individual listed below is a citizen of the United States.

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Position with Henkel Corporation and Present Principal Occupation or Employment</u>
Mr. Alois Linder Henkel KGaA Henkelstraße 67 40191 Düsseldorf Germany Citizen of Austria	Chairman of the Board of Henkel Corporation; Executive Vice President Adhesives Technologies of KGaA
Mr. John E. Knudson Henkel of America, Inc. The Triad, Suite 200 2200 Renaissance Boulevard Gulph Mills, PA 19406	Director, President, Chief Financial Officer of Henkel Corporation; Director and President of Henkel of America, Inc.
Mr. Julian Colquitt Henkel Corporation 1001 Trout Brook Crossing Rocky Hill, CT 06067	Director of Henkel Corporation; President, Adhesives Technologies-North America of Henkel Corporation
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Ms. Raphaela Dohm Henkel of America, Inc. The Triad, Suite 200 2200 Renaissance Boulevard Gulph Mills, PA 19406	Vice President, Treasurer of Henkel Corporation and Vice President, Treasurer of Henkel of America, Inc.
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Officers and Directors of Henkel KGaA

The following table sets forth the name, business address, and position with KGaA and present principal occupation of each director, executive officer and controlling person of KGaA. Each individual listed below is a citizen of Germany, except Mr. Linder and Mr. Stara, who are citizens of the Republic of Austria, Mr. Rorsted, who is a citizen of Denmark, Mr. Van Bylen, who is a citizen of Belgium, and Mr. Vuursteen, who is a citizen of The Netherlands.

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Present Principal Occupation or Employment</u>
<p><u>Supervisory Board:</u> Mr. Albrecht Woeste Henkelstraße 67 40191 Düsseldorf Germany</p>	<p>Chairman of the Supervisory Board and Chairman of the Shareholders Committee of KGaA; Private Investor</p>
<p>Mr. Winfried Zander Henkelstraße 67 40191 Düsseldorf Germany</p>	<p>Vice Chairman of the Supervisory Board and Chairman of the Works Council of KGaA</p>
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<p>Mr. Engelbert Bäbler Bürgerstraße 18 40597 Düsseldorf Germany</p>	<p>Member of the Works Council of KGaA</p>
<p>Mr. Hans Dietrichs Ziegeleistraße 56 39307 Genthin Germany</p>	<p>Chairman of the Works Council of KGaA, site Genthin</p>
<p>Mr. Bernd Hinz Rheinstraße 48 51371 Leverkusen Germany</p>	<p>Vice Chairman of the Works Council of KGaA</p>

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