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## FORM 4

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(City)

(State)

(Zip)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BILLER LESLIE S			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			ECOLAB INC [ECL]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner			
ECOLAB INC., 370 WABASHA STREET NORTH			02/27/2015	Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	W NOV.55100		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting			
SAINT PAUL, MN 55102				Person			

(City)	(State)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)				sed of	` ′	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	(A) or	Price	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/27/2015		M	5,600	A	\$ 32.57	75,349.31	D	
Common Stock	02/27/2015		F(1)	1,569	D	\$ 116.225	73,780.31	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number stion 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.57	02/27/2015		M		5,600	05/06/2005	05/06/2015	Common Stock	5,600

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BILLER LESLIE S ECOLAB INC. 370 WABASHA STREET NORTH SAINT PAUL, MN 55102	X						

## **Signatures**

/s/David F. Duvick, Power of Attorney for Leslie S. 03/03/2015 Biller

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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).
- Reflects the reporting person's payment of the exercise price for a stock option issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3 by delivering or **(1)** withholding shares of Ecolab common stock.

Date

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