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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** GRUNDHOFER JERRY A			2. Issuer Name and 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			
C/O ECOLAB INC., 370			12/19/2014	Officer (give title Other (specif			
WABASHA	STREET N	ORTH		below) below)			
(Street) SAINT PAUL, MN 55102			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			
				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities	Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own			

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	onAcquired (A) or			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed	of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership		
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
				(4)		Reported				
					(A)		Transaction(s)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	12/19/2014		G	3,492	D	\$0	76,651.3	D		

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	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

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GRUNDHOFER JERRY A C/O ECOLAB INC. 370 WABASHA STREET NORTH SAINT PAUL, MN 55102

Signatures

/s/ David F. Duvick, Attorney-in-Fact for Jerry A. Grundhofer

03/07/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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