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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Taylor Steph	-	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ECOLAB INC [ECL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
ECOLAB INC., 370 WABASHA STREET NORTH (Street)			02/28/2014	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP and Pres Nalco Champion		
			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		
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(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/28/2014		M	9,490	A	\$ 0	53,397	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2014		F(1)	751	D	\$ 107.75	52,646	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 Derivative Securities 3) 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
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/28/2014		M	Ģ	9,490	02/28/2014	02/28/2014	Common Stock	9,490

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Taylor Stephen M ECOLAB INC. 370 WABASHA STREET NORTH SAINT PAUL, MN 55102

EVP and Pres. - Nalco Champion

Signatures

David F. Duvick, as Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen M. Taylor

03/04/2014

**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 restricted stock units in accordance with Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit was the economic equivalent of one share of Ecolab Common Stock and was settled for an equivalent number of shares of Ecolab Common Stock.

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