

ECOLAB INC.  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â McCormick Michael C.		(Month/Day/Year)	ECOLAB INC. [ECL]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/01/2017	
1 ECOLAB PLACE			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
MINNEAPOLIS,Â MNÂ 55102			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			Ex.VP, GC & Asst. Secretary	
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	47,489.162	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/01/2011 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/01/2020	Common Stock	8,700	\$ 48.06	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/01/2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/01/2021	Common Stock	13,400	\$ 55.6	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/05/2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/05/2022	Common Stock	9,800	\$ 71.54	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/04/2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/04/2023	Common Stock	7,530	\$ 103.27	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/03/2015 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/03/2024	Common Stock	7,647	\$ 107.69	D	Â
Employee Stock Option(Right to Buy)	12/02/2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/02/2025	Common Stock	7,210	\$ 119.12	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/07/2017 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/07/2026	Common Stock	9,930	\$ 117.73	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McCormick Michael C. 1 ECOLAB PLACE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55102	Â	Â	Â Ex.VP, GC & Asst. Secretary	Â

## Signatures

/s/ David F. Duvick, as Attorney-In-Fact for Michael C.  
McCormick

03/07/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column for each option represents the first anniversary of the date of grant of the option. Each option became exercisable or will become exercisable, on a cumulative basis, as to one-third of the option shares (excluding any fractional portion less than one share), on each of the first and second anniversaries of the date of grant and as to the remaining shares on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

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