BAKER DOUGLAS M JR

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BAKER DOUGLAS M JR			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	(Check all applicable)		
1 ECOLAB PL	ACE		(Month/Day/Year) 12/04/2017	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SAINT PAUL,	MN 55102		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - N	on-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acquire	ed, 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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	3)	4. Securities Acquired (A) on Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		nired (A) or	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	08/09/2017		G	V	379	A	\$ 0	427,548	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2017		M		156,400	A	\$ 45.665	583,948	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2017		F(1)		102,501	D	\$ 136.43	481,447	D	
Common Stock	12/06/2017		S		18,000	D	\$ 137.092 (2)	463,447	D	
Common Stock								14,385	I	By Wife

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Common Stock	72,500	I	By Douglas M. Baker, Jr. 2012 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	5,519.92 (3)	I	By Ecolab Savings Plan

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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)	Securities		erivative Expiration Date ecurities (Month/Day/Year) acquired (A) or bisposed of (D) instr. 3, 4, and		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.665	12/04/2017		M		156,400	12/02/2010(4)	12/02/2019	Common Stock	156

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Topolonia o Hinor Humo / Humoss	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BAKER DOUGLAS M JR 1 ECOLAB PLACE SAINT PAUL, MN 55102	X		Chairman and CEO				

Signatures

/s/ David F. Duvick, Attorney-in-Fact for Douglas M. 12/06/2017 Baker, Jr.

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

2 Reporting Owners

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- * 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 the exercise price and withholding taxes for a stock option issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3 by delivering or withholding shares of Ecolab common stock.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$136.64 to \$137.39, inclusive. The price reported above reflects (2) the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- Number of UNITS in the Ecolab Stock Fund of the Ecolab Savings Plan (401(k) Plan) as of November 30, 2017. Includes 46.634 UNITS (3) acquired since the reporting person's last report. (The 5,519.920 UNITS are the equivalent of approximately 10,151 SHARES of the issuer's Common Stock.)
- The option became exercisable, on a cumulative basis, as to one-third of the option shares (excluding any fractional portion less than one (4) 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. The date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column represents the first anniversary date of the date of grant.

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