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FORM	UNITED	STATES		ITIES Al hington, l			COMMISSION		3235-0287	
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(Print or Type Re	esponses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Hickey Michael A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ECOLAB INC. [ECL]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First) (N	liddle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)			
1 ECOLAB PLACE			(Month/Day/Year) 12/04/2018				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & Pres - Global Inst			
SAINT PAUI	(Street)			ndment, Dat h/Day/Year)	e Original		6. Individual or J Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Form filed by		erson	
							Person			
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurities Ac	quired, Disposed (of, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or 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)		
Common Stock							39,585.924 <u>(1)</u>	D		
Common Stock							4,069.632 <u>(2)</u>	Ι	By Ecolab Savings Plan	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 158.515	12/04/2018		A	16,287	12/04/2019 <u>(3)</u>	12/04/2028	Common Stock	16,2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Hickey Michael A 1 ECOLAB PLACE SAINT PAUL, MN 55102			EVP & Pres - Global	Inst	
Signatures					
/s/ David F. Duvick, as Attorne Hickey	ey-in-fact	for Michael	A. 12/07/	2018	
<u>**</u> Signature of Repo	orting Person		Date	e	

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) The total includes 10.968 shares acquired by the reporting person on October 17, 2018, by dividend reinvestment under the Dividend Reinvestment Plan for shareholders of Ecolab sponsored by Computershare Trust Company, N.A.
- Number of UNITS in the Ecolab Stock Fund of the Ecolab Savings Plan (401(k) Plan) as of November 30, 2018. Includes 11.224 UNITS (2) acquired since the reporting person's last report. (The 4,069.632 UNITS are the equivalent of approximately 7,474 SHARES of the issuer's Common Stock.)

The option will be exercisable, on a cumulative basis, as to one-third of the option shares (excluding any fractional portion less than one (3) 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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