BILLER LESLIE S

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading BILLER LESLIE S Issuer Symbol ECOLAB INC. [ECL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O ECOLAB INC., 1 ECOLAB 03/09/2018 below) **PLACE** 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 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 SAINT PAUL, MN 55102

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	ed 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	03/09/2018		M	4,200	A	\$ 45.965	68,535.84	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2018		F(1)	1,436	D	\$ 134.35	67,099.84	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)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	o N o S
Non-Employee Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.965	03/09/2018	M	4,200	08/01/2008(2)	05/02/2018	Common Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BILLER LESLIE S C/O ECOLAB INC. 1 ECOLAB PLACE SAINT PAUL, MN 55102	X						

Signatures

/s/ David F. Duvick, Power of Attorney for Leslie S.
Biller 03/13/2018

**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 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.
- The option became exercisable, on a cumulative basis, as to 25% of the option shares (excluding any fractional portion less than one (2) share), on the last day of each of the first, second and third three-month periods following its date of grant and as to the remaining shares on the last day of the fourth three-month period following its date of grant.

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