LUMPKINS ROBERT L

Form 4

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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)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LUMPKINS ROBERT L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

ECOLAB INC [ECL]

(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2006

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director

below)

10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

ECOLAB INC., 370 WABASHA

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

STREET N

(City)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SAINT PAUL, MN 55102

(City)	(State)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit corr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (` ′	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	12/31/2006		A	165.62	A	\$ 0	12,492.67	D		
Common Stock	12/31/2006		A	331.24	A	\$ 45.285	12,848.52 <u>(1)</u>	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month Day/Tear)	(Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	ring es	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Number		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LUMPKINS ROBERT L ECOLAB INC. 370 WABASHA STREET N SAINT PAUL, MN 55102



Signatures

/s/ David F. Duvick, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert L.
Lumpkins 01/03/2007

**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) Includes 24.61 shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Ecolab Inc. 2001 Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Deferred Compensation Plan.

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