LAVANDIER BRUNO

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LAVANDIER BRUNO			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			ECOLAB INC. [ECL]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
1 ECOLAB PLACE			(Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2017	Director 10% Owner Sylvary Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP & Corporate Controller		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
ST. PAUL, MN 55102			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired tion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock	12/01/2017		S	347	D	\$ 134.77	7,615	D				
Common Stock	12/04/2017		M	4,200	A	\$ 71.54	11,815	D				
Common Stock	12/04/2017		F(1)	2,840	D	\$ 136.43	8,975	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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) cquired (A) or isposed of (D) nstr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 71.54	12/04/2017		M	4,200	12/05/2013(2)	12/05/2022	Common Stock	4,200

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LAVANDIER BRUNO 1 ECOLAB PLACE ST. PAUL, MN 55102

SVP & Corporate Controller

Signatures

/s/ David F. Duvick, as Attorney-In-Fact for Bruno Lavandier

12/05/2017

**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 one-third of the option shares (excluding any fractional portion less than one (2) 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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