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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HENKEL KGAA /NEW/ | | | 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 | (eneed all applicable) | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | DirectorX 10% Owner | | |
| 67 HENKELSTRASSE | | | 11/13/2006 | Officer (give titleX_ Other (specify below) | | |
| | | | | (See Attached Statement) | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) | | |
| 40191 DUSSELDORF, GERMANY | | | | _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Ta | ble I - Non- | Derivative Securities Acqui | ired, Disposed of | , or Beneficia | lly Owned |
|------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed | 3. | 4. Securities Acquired (A) | 5. Amount of | 6. | 7. Nature of |
| Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onor Disposed of (D) | Securities | Ownership | Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | Beneficially | Form: | Beneficial |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | Owned | Direct (D) | Ownership |
| | | | | | Following | or Indirect | (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | (4) | Reported | (I) | |
| | | | | (A) | Transaction(s) | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | or | (14- 2 1 4) | | |

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common \$ 43,738,036 11/13/2006 V 378,812 D (1) Stock 45.73 (1)

Common 28,954,516 Held by Stock (1) subsidiary

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. T | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | | 7. Title | | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------------|------------|----------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securi | ties | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | Trans |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | ` |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | | Amount | | |
| | | | | | | Date | Evaluation | | or | | |
| | | | | | | | Expiration | Title | Number | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|--------------------------|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| HENKEL KGAA /NEW/ | | | | | |
| 67 HENKELSTRASSE | | X | | (See Attached Statement) | |
| 40191 DUSSELDORF, GERMANY | | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/ Robert Risse, VP Finance | 11/14/2006 | |
|--|------------|--|
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date | |
| /s/ Dr. Joachim Jackle, VP Corporate Finance | 11/14/2006 | |
| **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) Effective as of November 13, 2006, 378,812 shares previously held indirectly through a wholly-owned subsidiary were transferred to, and are held directly by, the reporting person.

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