

ECOLAB INC  
Form 8-K  
August 12, 2002

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

August 12, 2002

## ECOLAB INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-9328**

(Commission  
File Number)

**41-0231510**

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**370 Wabasha Street North, St. Paul, Minnesota**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**55102**

(Zip Code)

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Registrant's telephone number, include area code: **651-293-2233**

**(Not applicable)**

(Former name or former address, if changed from last report.)

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### Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On August 12, 2002, the Company's principal executive officer, Allan L. Schuman, and principal financial officer, Steven L. Fritze, executed and submitted their statements under oath in response to Order No. 4-460 of the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Copies of the respective sworn statements submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with this Item 9 are attached hereto as Exhibit (99), and posted to the Company's website at [www.ecolab.com](http://www.ecolab.com).

### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ECOLAB INC.

Dated: August 12, 2002

By: /s/Lawrence T. Bell  
Lawrence T. Bell  
Senior Vice President – Law,  
General Counsel and Secretary

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| EXHIBIT NO. | DESCRIPTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (99)        | Statements Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer in response to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Order No. 4-460 Requiring the Filing of Sworn Statements Pursuant to Section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. |