

LEVIN JERRY W  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LEVIN JERRY W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

J. W. LEVIN PARTNERS, LLC, 9  
WEST 57TH STREET, 26TH  
FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ECOLAB INC [ECL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/02/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/03/2013                           |  | S                              | 5,421 D \$ 84.907 (1)   | 28,286.19   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/03/2013                           |  | M                              | 6,700 A \$ 29.29  | 34,986.19   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/03/2013                           |  | F(2)                           | 2,303 D \$ 85.205   | 32,683.19   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/03/2013                           |  | M                              | 5,600 A \$ 32.57  | 38,283.19   | D  |   |
|                                 | 05/03/2013                           |  | F(2)                           | 2,140 D   | 36,143.19   | D  |   |

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|              |            |  |                  |       |   |           |           |   |
|--------------|------------|--|------------------|-------|---|-----------|-----------|---|
| Common Stock |            |  |                  |       |   | \$ 85.205 |           |   |
| Common Stock | 05/03/2013 |  | M                | 5,086 | A | \$ 31.945 | 41,229.19 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/03/2013 |  | F <sup>(2)</sup> | 1,906 | D | \$ 85.205 | 39,323.19 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/03/2013 |  | M                | 4,800 | A | \$ 37.905 | 44,123.19 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/03/2013 |  | F <sup>(2)</sup> | 2,135 | D | \$ 85.205 | 41,988.19 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/03/2013 |  | M                | 4,300 | A | \$ 42.905 | 46,288.19 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/03/2013 |  | F <sup>(2)</sup> | 2,165 | D | \$ 85.205 | 44,123.19 | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 84.265  | 05/02/2013                           |  | A                              | 3,200   | 08/02/2013 <sup>(3)</sup>                                | 05/02/2023  | Common Stock | 3,200                      |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 29.29   | 05/03/2013                           |  | M                              | 6,700   | 05/07/2004   | 05/07/2014  | Common Stock | 6,700                      |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 32.57   | 05/03/2013                           |  | M                              | 5,600   | 05/06/2005   | 05/06/2015  | Common Stock | 5,600                      |

Buy)

Stock

|                             |           |            |   |       |            |            |                 |     |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|---|-------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----|
| Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 31.945 | 05/03/2013 | M | 5,086 | 08/30/2005 | 05/07/2014 | Common<br>Stock | 5,0 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|---|-------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----|

Stock

|                             |           |            |   |       |            |            |                 |     |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|---|-------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----|
| Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 37.905 | 05/03/2013 | M | 4,800 | 05/12/2006 | 05/12/2016 | Common<br>Stock | 4,8 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|---|-------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----|

Stock

|                             |           |            |   |       |            |            |                 |     |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|---|-------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----|
| Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 42.905 | 05/03/2013 | M | 4,300 | 05/04/2007 | 05/04/2017 | Common<br>Stock | 4,3 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|---|-------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----|

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LEVIN JERRY W<br>J. W. LEVIN PARTNERS, LLC<br>9 WEST 57TH STREET, 26TH FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10019 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| /s/David F. Duvick, Attorney-in-Fact for Jerry<br>Levin | 05/06/2013 |
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\*\*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).

- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$84.90 to \$84.95. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (1) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (2) Reflects the reporting person's payment of the exercise price for a stock option issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3 by delivering or withholding shares of Ecolab common stock.

- The option will become exercisable, on a cumulative basis, as to 25% of the option shares (excluding any fractional portion less than one 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; provided, however, that if a Change in Control of the Company (as that term is defined in the Ecolab Inc. 2001 Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Deferred Compensation Plan) will occur, then the option will become immediately exercisable in full.
- (3) on the last day of the fourth three-month period following its date of grant; provided, however, that if a Change in Control of the Company (as that term is defined in the Ecolab Inc. 2001 Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Deferred Compensation Plan) will occur, then the option will become immediately exercisable in full.

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