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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

NORRIS PAUL J

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

12/01/2011

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ECOLAB INC [ECL]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(give title below) (specify below)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O ECOLAB INC., 370 WABASHA STREET N.

(Street)

_X__ Director Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

ST. PAUL, ÂMNÂ 55102

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

10% Owner

Other

(Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Expiration Title

Exercisable Date

Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

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(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NORRIS PAUL J

C/O ECOLAB INC.
370 WABASHA STREET N.
ST. PAUL, MNÂ 55102

Signatures

David F. Duvick, as Attorney-in-Fact for Paul J. Norris

12/05/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

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Remarks:

No securities or derivative securities are beneficially owned.

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