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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEHNER ULRICH

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

X_ Director

Officer (give title

ECOLAB INC [ECL] (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

03/31/2005

(Check all applicable)

HENKEL KGAA. HENKELSTRASSE 67

POSTFACH 1100

(Street)

(State)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

DUSSELDORF, 2M 40191

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securiti	ies Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)	Reported		
					(A)	Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common	03/31/2005		Α	189 88	A \$0	4 309 02 (1)	D	

Stock

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)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LEHNER ULRICH HENKEL KGAA HENKELSTRASSE 67 POSTFACH 1100 DUSSELDORF, 2M 40191

X

Signatures

/s/ David F. Duvick, as Attorney-in-Fact for U. Lehner

04/04/2005

**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) Includes 10.17 shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Ecolab Inc. 2001 Non-Employee Director Stock Option and Deferred Compensation Plan.

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