ECOLAB INC Form 8-K January 04, 2006

UNITED STATES 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) January 1, 2006

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, Saint Paul, Minnesota (Address of principal executive offices)

55102 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 651-293-2233

(Not applicable)

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13a-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CRF 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.			
Effective January 1, 2006, Ecolab Inc. and Allan L. Schuman entered in provide for, among other things, (i) the continuation of Mr. Schuman s Annual Meeting of Stockholders, currently scheduled to be held May 12 retire from the Board, and (ii) compensation to Mr. Schuman for such co for 2005.	service as non- 2, 2006, or any	employee Chairman adjournment thereof,	of the Board until Ecolab s 2006 at which point Mr. Schuman shall
A copy of the Amendment in connection with this report under Item 1.0	01 is attached as	Exhibit (10) and inc	corporated herein by reference.
Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.			
(c) Exhibits.			
(10) Amendment No. 1 to Transition Agreement by and Allan L. Schuman.	and between	Ecolab Inc.	
SIGN.	ATURE		
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, th undersigned hereunto duly authorized.	e Registrant ha	s duly caused this rep	port to be signed on its behalf by the
	ECOLAB INC	2.	
Date: January 4, 2006	By:		ell Timothy P. Dordell Assistant Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description	Method Of Filing
(10)	Amendment No. 1 to Transition Agreement by and between Ecolab Inc. and Allan L. Schuman.	Filed herewith electronically.
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