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### Ecolab Schedules Webcast of Industry Conference for May 16th

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 09, 2007 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Ecolab Inc.'s Executive Vice President and CFO, Steven L. Fritze, will address financial analysts at the Goldman Sachs Basic Material Conference 2007 in New York, NY on Wednesday, May 16th, at 10:40 a.m. Eastern Time. Ecolab will host a live webcast of Mr. Fritze's presentation. Details for the webcast are as follows:

TIME: 10:40 a.m. Eastern Time

DATE: Wednesday, May 16, 2007

DURATION: Approximately 40 minutes

LOCATION: <http://www.ecolab.com/investor>

ARCHIVE: A replay of the webcast will be available at that site through May 25, 2007.

To access the webcast, go to the Investor Information portion of Ecolab's web site at [www.ecolab.com/investor](http://www.ecolab.com/investor) and click on the webcast icon. Listening to the webcast requires Internet access and the Windows Media, RealPlayer or other compatible streaming media player.

With sales of \$5 billion, Ecolab Inc. (NYSE:ECL) is the global leader in cleaning, sanitizing, food safety and infection prevention products and services. Ecolab delivers comprehensive programs and services to the foodservice, food and beverage processing, healthcare, and hospitality markets in more than 160 countries. More news and information is available at [www.ecolab.com](http://www.ecolab.com).

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