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Ecolab Schedules Webcast of Industry Conference for February 24th

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb 18, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Ecolab Inc.'s President, Specialty & Services, Jim Miller, will address financial analysts at the Robert W. Baird & Co.'s 2010 Business Solutions Conference in Boston, MA on Wednesday, February 24th. Ecolab will host a live webcast of Mr. Miller's presentation. Details for the webcast are as follows:

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| TIME: | 8:35 a.m. Eastern Time |
| DATE: | Wednesday, February 24, 2010 |
| DURATION: | Approximately 30 minutes |
| LOCATION: | http://www.ecolab.com/investor |
| ARCHIVE: | A replay of the webcast will be available through March 5, 2010. |

To access the webcast, go to the Investor Information portion of Ecolab's web site at www.ecolab.com/investor and click on the webcast icon. Listening to the webcast requires Internet access, a soundcard and the Windows Media Player or other compatible streaming media player.

With sales of \$6 billion and more than 26,000 associates, 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 foodservice, food and beverage processing, healthcare, and hospitality markets in more than 160 countries. More news and information is available at www.ecolab.com.

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