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### Ecolab Schedules Webcast and Conference Call on April 27th

ST. PAUL, Minn., Apr 12, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Ecolab will host a live webcast of its first quarter investor conference call. A press release containing first quarter results and earnings guidance is expected to be issued before the market opens on April 27, 2010.

Details for the webcast are as follows:

TIME: 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time  
DATE: Tuesday, April 27, 2010  
DURATION: One hour  
LOCATION: <http://www.ecolab.com/investor>  
ARCHIVE: A replay of the webcast and supplementary materials will be available on Ecolab's web site.

To access the webcast, go to the Investor Information portion of the Company's Web site at <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 \$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 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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