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Ecolab Schedules Webcast of Industry Conference for May 26th

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 19, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Ecolab Inc.'s Chief Financial Officer, Steven L. Fritze, will address financial analysts at the Bank of America Merrill Lynch Services Conference in New York, NY on Wednesday, May 26th. Ecolab will host a live webcast of Mr. Fritze's presentation. Details for the webcast are as follows:

TIME:	9:40 a.m. Eastern Time
DATE:	Wednesday, May 26, 2010
DURATION:	Approximately 45 minutes
LOCATION:	http://www.ecolab.com/investor
ARCHIVE:	A replay of the webcast will be available through June 4, 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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