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Ecolab Collaborates with China's State Food and Drug Administration to Provide Food Safety Training

SHANGHAI--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Ecolab (NYSE: ECL) and China's State Food and Drug Administration Institute for Executive Development (SFDAIED) are again partnering to conduct food safety training that aligns with the recent introduction of China's five-year food safety plan and reaches workers within the country's food service industry.

Food safety experts from Ecolab and SFDAIED are together conducting food safety training for large, state-owned restaurants and food service providers throughout the cities of Beijing, Wuhan and Baise to strengthen operational standards, promote proper food safety practices and increase public awareness of the importance of food safety.

"Ecolab is well recognized for our food safety expertise, and we are committed to sharing our knowledge and solutions to advance China's food service industry," said Tim Wang, senior vice president and general manager of Ecolab Greater China. "This food safety training program reflects our commitment to helping improve food safety practices within the industry and bolster consumer confidence within China."

The food service industry training program focuses on several key areas of food safety, including personal hygiene, proper equipment and facility operation, cleaning and disinfecting processes and pest control techniques. SFDAIED expects more than 700 food service industry personnel to participate in the training program, benefiting more than 150,000 consumers.

In 2011, Ecolab played a strategic role in SFDAIED's implementation of key government regulations and fundamental safeguards to help ensure food safety within China's food and beverage industry. Ecolab helped SFDAIED establish a public service training program, identify food safety experts, reinforce food safety practices within food and beverage operations, strengthen employee awareness of food safety and enhance the country's overall level of food safety management.

Ecolab entered the Chinese market in 1987, and is a leader in providing innovative solutions to help China's food-related businesses strengthen food safety practices.

About Ecolab

With 2011 pro forma sales of \$11 billion and more than 40,000 employees, Ecolab Inc. (NYSE: ECL) is the global leader in water, hygiene and energy technologies and services that provide and protect clean water, safe food, abundant energy and healthy environments. Ecolab delivers comprehensive programs and services to the food, energy, healthcare, industrial and hospitality markets in more than 160 countries. For more Ecolab news and information, visit www.ecolab.com.

About SFDAIED

The SFDAIED is directly under the State Food and Drug Administration Bureau providing education and training related services to food and drug regulatory authorities and to professional education and training institutions. The organization is mainly responsible for the oversight of education and training planning, the food and drug regulatory system, food and drug regulatory policy theory, educational research, and international exchanges. The SFDAIED has trained food safety regulators and nearly 10,000 employees in the food industry, also providing a variety of technical personnel to ensure the safety and security of China's F&B industry. For more SFDAIED news and information, visit www.sfdaied.org.

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