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### Ecolab Ninth on CR Magazine's 2015 100 Best Corporate Citizens List

*Second consecutive year ranked in top 10*

ST. PAUL, Minn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- For the second consecutive year, Ecolab Inc. has been ranked in the top 10 on CR Magazine's 100 Best Corporate Citizens list, which recognizes companies for their commitment to operating responsibly and with transparency. Ecolab is ranked ninth on the 2015 list.

"Our company values guide us to do what is right because we know that our work matters and how we work matters, too," said Ecolab Chairman and CEO Douglas M. Baker, Jr. "We are proud of the work our 47,000 associates accomplish every day in partnership with our customers to make the world cleaner, safer and healthier, and we are honored to receive this recognition."

CR Magazine's 100 Best Corporate Citizens list is compiled by ranking companies based on 303 publicly available data points of disclosure and performance measures across seven categories: environment, climate change, employee relations, governance, human rights, finance and philanthropy and community support. The list is drawn from an involuntary audit of all companies on the Russell 1000 Index.

Ecolab is one of five companies to rank within the top 10 in both 2014 and 2015. For more information about the 100 Best Corporate Citizens list, visit CR Magazine's website at [www.thercro.com](http://www.thercro.com).

#### About Ecolab

A trusted partner at more than one million customer locations, Ecolab (ECL) is the global leader in water, hygiene and energy technologies and services that protect people and vital resources. With 2014 sales of \$14 billion and 47,000 associates, Ecolab delivers comprehensive solutions and on-site service to promote safe food, maintain clean environments, optimize water and energy use and improve operational efficiencies for customers in the food, healthcare, energy, hospitality and industrial markets in more than 170 countries around the world. For more Ecolab news and information, visit [www.ecolab.com](http://www.ecolab.com).

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