



## Ad-hoc-Report according to § 15 WpHG

Henkel AG & Co. KGaA  
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### Successful public offering of Henkel's stake in Ecolab

On November 12, 2008, Henkel has - as a result of the public offering of its stake in Ecolab Inc., St. Paul/Minnesota, USA, and the share buy back by Ecolab – agreed to sell in total approximately 67.1 million shares of Ecolab common stock. Henkel will receive aggregate proceeds of approximately 2.0 billion US dollars (about 1.6 billion euros) before taxes and expenses.

In addition, the underwriters in the offering have an over-allotment option to purchase a total of approximately 5.6 million additional shares of common stock from Henkel. If the shares in the over-allotment option are sold, Henkel will receive additional aggregate proceeds of approximately 170 million US dollars (about 135 million euros) before taxes and expenses.

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#### Note:

A copy of the prospectus relating to this offering may be obtained for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC Web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Alternatively, Ecolab Inc., any underwriter or any dealer participating in the offering will arrange to send you the prospectus if you request it by calling toll-free 1-800-221-1037, 1-866-471-2526 or 1-866-500-5408.

This release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of the shares of common stock in Ecolab Inc. in any state in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state.

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Listing: Official market Frankfurt a/M sub-segment entailing additional post-admission obligations (Prime Standard), Berlin-Bremen, Düsseldorf, Hamburg, Hanover, Munich and Stuttgart

For further financial instruments see [www.henkel.com/ir](http://www.henkel.com/ir)