



Investor Relations News

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Selling process to be started

Henkel has reached agreement on divestiture of stake in Ecolab

Henkel has today entered into agreements with Ecolab Inc., St. Paul/Minnesota, USA, intended to facilitate the divestiture of its stake in Ecolab.

Ecolab has agreed to assist in the marketing of an underwritten public offering of Henkel's stake. The registration statement will be filed today. In addition, Ecolab has agreed to repurchase at least 300 million US dollars of stock from Henkel.

Note:

This press release does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, any securities in the United States or elsewhere. In connection with any proposed public offering of shares of its common stock in the United States, Ecolab Inc. will file a registration statement with respect thereto with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Any offering of securities in the United States will be made only by means of a prospectus.

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