Nalco Holding CO Form S-8 POS December 02, 2011

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

NALCO HOLDING COMPANY (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware 41-3176328 (State or Other Jurisdiction (IRS Employer of Incorporation or Organization) Identification No.)

370 Wabasha Street North
St. Paul, Minnesota 55102

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

J. Erik Fyrwald Employment Letter Agreement (Full Title of Plan)

James J. Seifert
Director
Nalco Holding Company
370 Wabasha Street North
St. Paul, Minnesota 55102
(Name and Address of Agent for Service)

(651) 293-2981 (Telephone Number, including Area Code, of Agent for Service)

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Non-acceleratedo Smaller o filer

reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

DEREGISTRATION OF SECURITIES

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 relates to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-149606) (the "Registration Statement") of Nalco Holding Company, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 7, 2008. The Registration Statement registered 390,000 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, for issuance pursuant to the employment letter agreement dated as of February 21, 2008 by and between the Company and J. Erik Fyrwald.

On December 1, 2011 pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of July 19, 2011, by and among Ecolab Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Ecolab"), Sustainability Partners Corporation, a Delaware corporation and a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Ecolab ("Merger Sub"), and the Company, the Company merged with and into Merger Sub, with Merger Sub surviving as a wholly owned subsidiary of Ecolab (the "Merger"). Upon consummation of the Merger, Merger Sub changed its name to "Nalco Holding Company" ("Nalco").

As a result of the Merger, the offering pursuant to the Registration Statement has been terminated. Nalco is filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to terminate the effectiveness of the Registration Statement and remove from registration any and all securities of the Company previously registered but unsold under the Registration Statement as of the effective time of the Merger, in accordance with the undertakings made by the Company in Part II of the Registration Statement to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered that remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of St. Paul, State of Minnesota, on December 2, 2011.

NALCO HOLDING COMPANY

By: /s/ Stephen N. Landsman

Name: Stephen N. Landsman Title: Vice President and General

Counsel

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated below as of December 2, 2011.

Signature Title

/s/ J. ERIK FYRWALD

J. Erik Fyrwald

President and Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

Executive Vice President and /s/ KATHRYN A. MIKELLS

Kathryn A. Mikells

Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial Officer)

/s/ SCOTT J. HINKLE Controller
Scott J. Hinkle (Principal Accounting Officer)

/s/ DOUGLAS M. BAKER, JR. Director

Douglas M. Baker, Jr.

/s/ STEVEN L. FRITZE Director
Steven L. Fritze

/s/ JAMES J. SEIFERT Director
James J. Seifert