FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* PACHOLEC FRANK						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL]								elationship o eck all applic Directo	able) r	g Perso	10% Ow	ner	
(Last) 22 W. FI	ast) (First) (Middle) 2 W. FRONTAGE ROAD							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/22/2010							X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Vice President R&D				
(Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tal	ble I - No	n-Deri	ivativ	e Se	curi	ties Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or Be	neficiall	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquipisposed Of (D) (I			es Acquire Of (D) (Inst	d (A) or r. 3, 4 and	Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Direct I Indirect E tr. 4) (7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		1	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 04/22/					2/201	2010		М		1,500(1	A \$24		4 21,268.2197		1	D			
Common Stock 04/22/				2/201	/2010		S		1,500(1	500 ⁽¹⁾ D \$		8 19,768.2197]	D				
			Table II -								osed of, convertib			Owned					
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	se (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,		ransaction Code (Instr.		n Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		e (C s F ully [C	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
				Cod	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ıble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	5.1(3)			
Common	\$24.94	04/22/2010			M			1,500 ⁽¹⁾	12/22/20	004	02/09/2014	Common	1,500	\$24.94	4,528	В	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Transaction completed pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan.

Frank Pacholec

04/26/2010

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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