

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Rojo Luis</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 1101 SKOKIE BOULEVARD, SUITE 500  (Street) NORTHBROOK IL 60062  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>STEPAN CO [ SCL ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP &amp; Chief Financial Officer</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2024	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

**Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication**

Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								411.142 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By Esop II Trust
Common Stock	02/14/2024		M <sup>(2)</sup>		682	A	\$89.03	7,834.375	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2024		F <sup>(3)</sup>		236	D	\$89.03	7,598.375 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	02/14/2024		M			682	02/14/2024 <sup>(5)</sup>	02/14/2026	Restricted Stock Units	682	\$0	1,365	D	
Share Units	(6)							(7)	(7)	Common Stock	2,297.26		2,297.26 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Includes exempt acquisitions under Rule 16a-11 pursuant to dividend reinvestments since the date of the reporting person's last report.
- The restricted stock units ("RSUs") were settled in shares of common stock per the terms of the award.
- Withholding of shares to satisfy tax liability on the vesting of RSUs.
- Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of Stepan Company common stock.
- Vests ratably over three years beginning on the date shown.
- Share units convert on a one-for-one basis into Common Stock.
- Share units are acquired under the Management Incentive Plan (As Amended and Restated Effective January 1, 2015) ("MIP"), a nonqualified deferred compensation plan which allows MIP participants to elect to defer all or a portion of their deferred compensation into accounts pursuant to MIP provisions.

/s/ Stephanie J. Pacitti 02/16/2024  
Attorney-in-Fact for Luis Rojo

\*\* 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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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