FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [ SCL ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
STEPAN F QUINN JR											X	Director	10% Owne		ner		
(Last) (First) (Middle)					Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)						X	Officer (g below)	ive title		Other (sp below)	ecify	
					02/19/2010							President & CEO					
(Street) NORTHFIELD IL 600		60093	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					- 1	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person							
(City) (State) (Zip)													Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
Date					2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr.				5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following Reported	.	6. Owr Form: (D) or (I) (Ins	Direct Ir Indirect B tr. 4) C	7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code V	Amo	ount	(A) or (D)	Price	T				nstr. 4)
	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. r) 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)		and	7. Title and Amount Securities Underlyin Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	ve es ally ig d	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expira Date	ition	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)			
Management Incentive Plan	(1)	02/19/2010		J		1,144.543		08/08/1988	08/08/	1988	Common Stock	1,144.543	(1)	41,117	7.745	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Management Incentive Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2005 ("Plan"), a 16b-3 Plan, is a nonqualified deferred compensation plan which allows Plan participants to elect to defer all or a portion of their deferred compensation into accounts pursuant to Plan provisions.

> F. Quinn Stepan, Jr. 02/23/2010

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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