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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940					
WOOD ROBERT JOHN (Last) (First) (Middle)			STEPAN CO [SCL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2013	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) V.P. & General Manager				
22 W. FRONTA	GE KUAD							
(Street) NORTHFIELD (City)	HFIELD IL 60093 (State) (Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Table I - Non-De	rivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Bene	ficially Owned				
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Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, of Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(111341. 4)
Common Stock	03/05/2013		S ⁽¹⁾		2,000	D	\$63	14,427	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2013		M ⁽¹⁾		3,500	A	\$16.09	17,927	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2013		S ⁽¹⁾		3,300	D	\$63	14,627	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2013		S ⁽¹⁾		100	D	\$63.01	14,527	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2013		S ⁽¹⁾		100	D	\$63.02	14,427	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2013		M ⁽¹⁾		5,000	A	\$18.46	19,427	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2013		S ⁽¹⁾		5,000	D	\$63	14,427	D	
Common Stock								11,226.413	I	By ESOP II Trust
Common Stock								900	I	By Mother

1. Title of Derivative 6. Date Exercisable and 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number 7. Title and 8. Price of 9. Number of 11. Nature Transaction Code (Instr. Conversion **Execution Date** Expiration Date Amount of Derivative derivative Ownership of Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Securities Security or Exercise Securities orm: (Month/Dav/Year) Direct (D) (Instr. 3) 8) Underlying (Instr. 5) Price of Securities Beneficially Ownership Acquired (A) or Disposed Derivative **Derivative Security** Owned Following or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security

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

					of (E	tr. 3, 4						Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$16.09	03/05/2013	M ⁽¹⁾			3,500	02/12/2010	02/11/2016	Common Stock	3,500	\$0	0.000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$18.46	03/05/2013	M ⁽¹⁾			5,000	02/10/2011	02/09/2017	Common Stock	5,000	\$0	11,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Transaction completed pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan.

Kathleen O. Sherlock, Attorney-in-fact

03/07/2013

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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