FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*							2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [ SCL ]									ck all app Dired	tor		10% (	Owner	
(Last) 22 W. FR	RONTAG	(First	,	Middle)		3. D 03/		st Trans	nsaction (Month/Day/Year)						belov	Officer (give title below)  VP & Chief I		below	,		
(Street) NORTHI	NORTHFIELD IL 60093					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									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-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day					Exe if ar	Deemed cution Date, y nth/Day/Year)					es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
										Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock			03/02/2			P		2,000	A	\$51.	162	7,432			D						
Common Stock														317	7.036			By ESOP II Trust			
Common Stock														442,047			I	Member of Plan Committee of Stepan Company			
			Та	ble II -								osed of, convertib				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversi or Exerci Price of Derivativ Security	on [ se (	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	med on Date, Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		De Se (In	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code		(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares									

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

03/04/2016 Scott D. Beamer

\*\* 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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