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* STEPAN F QUINN						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2010									X Officer (give title Other (specification) Chairman					
(Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093					4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Line) X Form filed by One Report Form filed by More than 0			orting Pe	son	
(City)	(S		(Zip)												Persor					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transpate				2. Transact	tion	n 2A. De Execu ear) if any		eemed ution Date,		ed, D	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an		(A) or	5. Amount Securities Beneficiall Owned Fo		of y	6. Own Form: I (D) or I (I) (Inst	Direct ndirect r. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an	n(s) d 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock				11/01/2010					M		3,989	A	\$23.6	575	289,970	0.183	I)		
Common Stock			11/01/2010				S		3,989	D	\$68.1	6(1)	285,981.18		183 D					
Common Stock			11/01/2010				M		5,782	A	\$24.9	94	291,763	B.183 D)				
Common Stock			11/01/2010				S		5,782	D	\$68.3	34 ⁽²⁾ 285,983		.183 D)				
Common Stock															114,691		I		Stepan Venture II Partnership	
Common Stock															143,063]	[By spouse	
Common Stock															438,846]	I	By spouse as custodian for children	
Common Stock														62,519		1	I	By self as custodian for children		
Common Stock														48,7	74			By family trust		
		Т	able I								sposed of				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)			emed 4. on Date, Trans Code		ection	5. No of Deri Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (E	umber vative urities uired or oosed o) tr. 3, 4		Exerc			nd of es ng re Secur		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficia Ownersh ct (Instr. 4)		
				Cod		v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$23.675	11/01/2010					3,989		02/11/2004		02/10/2012	Common Stock	3,98	3,989 \$0		63,011		D		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$24.94	11/01/2010					5,782		12/22/2004		02/09/2014	Common Stock	5,78	5,782		60,053		D		

Explanation of Responses:

2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$68.17 to \$69.09. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

Frank Quinn Stepan

11/03/2010

** 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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