FORM 4

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

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to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5						
obligations may continue. See						
Instruction 1(b).						

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Keiper Jason Scott						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [ SCL ]								Check	all app	licable)	son(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify			
(Last) 1101 SK	(Fir	st) (M LEVARD, SUIT	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2024									X Officer (gye the below)  VP & Chief Tech & Sust Officer					
(Street) NORTHBROOK IL 60062				4. If <i>I</i>	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)						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 - No	n-Deriva	tive S	Secu	rities	Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of	, or Be	enefic	ially	Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day					Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)							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														6,		5,742.858 <sup>(1)</sup>		D		
Common Stock 02/26/2				2024				A		34.689	A	\$92	.04	332.259			I	By ESOP II Trust		
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)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D (Insti	of Ex		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title a Amount Securiti Underly Derivati Security 3 and 4)	t of ies ring ive y (Instr.	Deri Sec	rice of ivative urity tr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y	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	N o	Amount or Number of Shares							

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Includes exempt acquisitions under Rule 16b-3(c) and Rule 16b-3(d) since the date of the reporting person's last report.

/s/ Stephanie J. Pacitti,

02/27/2024 Attorney-in-Fact for Jason

Scott Keiper

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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