FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person WOOD ROBERT JOHN					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Ow				er		
													X	Officer (give title	e below)		Other (spe	ecify below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE RD.						Earliest Tra	nsaction (Mon	ear)				VP & GM Polymers								
(Street)					If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individ	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
NORTHFIELD IL 60093													X	X Form filed by One Reporting Person						
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(City)	(State)	(Zip	0)																	
			1	able I -	Non-Deri	ivative S	ecurities A	cquire	d, Disp	osed of	f, or Bene	ficially Ow	ned							
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				(MOIIII/Day	(Mo		Code	ode V Amount			(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(11100. 4)		4)			
Common Stock					03/26/20	007		J		36	.4886	Α	(1)	4,861.923	9	D				
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Number of common stock shares acquired with dividend purchase to reporting person's account on March 26, 2007, under the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) established by Stepan Company.

Remarks:

Robert John Wood

** Signature of Reporting Person

03/27/2007

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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of H. Edward Wynn and Kathleen M. Owens, signing singly, as the undersigned (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer or director of Stepan Company ("the Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5, and at (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such form or schedule (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best :

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary of this Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's limitation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 25th day of January 2007.

/s/ Robert John Wood