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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addres	1 0	erson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>STEPAN CO</u> [SCL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
<u>STEPAN F Q</u>	<u>UINN JR</u>			X	Director	10% Owner				
		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2010	х	Officer (give title below) President & C	Other (specify below)				
(Street)		60093	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
NORTHFIELD	IL	60093		X	Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Form filed by More than Person	One Reporting				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									

4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 3. 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Transaction Date Execution Date Securities Form: Direct Indirect if any (Month/Day/Year) (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. 5) Beneficially 8) Owned Following Ownership (Instr. 4) Reported (A) or (D) Transaction(s) Code v Amount Price (Instr. 3 and 4) Member of the Plan 45,376 (1) 370,190 Common Stock 02/22/2010 D I Committee J of Stepan Company

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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. On February 22, 2010, 45,376 shares of Stepan Company Common Stock were sold from the Stepan Company Pension Plan to the Employee Stock Ownership Plan II (ESOP II) established by Stepan Company. The reporting person is a member of the Plan Committee of Stepan Company which has oversight responsibility over investments of funds for employee benefit programs.

F. Quinn Stepan, Jr.

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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