

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>STEPAN F QUINN JR</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 1101 SKOKIE BOULEVARD, SUITE 500  (Street) NORTHBROOK IL 60062  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>STEPAN CO [ SCL ]</u>  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2024  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication  <input type="checkbox"/> 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 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	03/07/2024		G		3,402	D	\$0	92,005	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock	03/07/2024		S		1,800	D	\$87.382 <sup>(2)</sup>	250,875.69	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2024		S		200	D	\$87.835 <sup>(3)</sup>	250,675.69	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2024		F <sup>(4)</sup>		3,321	D	\$87.53	247,354.69	D	

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		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					

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Joint Tenancy with Spouse.
2. The price reported is a weighted average price. Shares were sold in a series of transactions within the same trading day at prices ranging from \$86.81 to \$87.80, inclusive. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price is available upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.
3. The price reported is a weighted average price. Shares were sold in a series of transactions within the same trading day at prices ranging from \$87.83 to \$87.84, inclusive. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price is available upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.
4. The transaction reported reflects the withholding of shares from the performance shares vested on February 15, 2024. Withholding of these shares was applied to the reporting person's account on the transaction date shown.

/s/ Stephanie J. Pacitti,  
Attorney-in-Fact for F. Quinn 03/11/2024  
Stepan, Jr.

\*\* 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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