FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>STEPAN F QUINN</u>						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) 22 W. FR	(F LONTAGE	· ·	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/23/2010									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Chairman					
Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City)	(S	tate) (	Zip)												Pers				,,,,,	
		Tabl	e I - N	on-Deriv	ative/	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or B	enefic	ciall	y Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea		Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)							es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
									v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(iiisu. 4)		
Common	Stock			04/23/2	2010				J <sup>(1)</sup>		72,666	D	\$64	.81	114	,691		I	Stepan Venture II Partnership	
Common	Stock														285,981.183			D		
Common	Stock														143	,063		I	By spouse	
Common	Stock														438	3,846		I	By spouse as custodian for children	
Common Stock														62,519			Ι	By self as custodian for children		
Common Stock													48,774				By family trust			
		Та	ble II								osed of, convertib				Owned					
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year)					ransaction oode (Instr. D		5. Number of		Exerc tion Da h/Day/\	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		3 D S (I	s. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares							

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Disposition of shares pursuant to optional redemption by certain Limited Partners of the Stepan Venture II Partnership valued at \$64.81 per share.

04/26/2010 Frank Quinn Stepan

\*\* 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).
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