FORM 4

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* POTTER ROBERT G						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/25/2006									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify
(Street) NORTH	FIELD I		60093 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line)	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,			Code (Instr. 5)			4 and Securiti Benefic		es For ially (D) Following (I)		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pri		ice	Transact (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)		
	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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	I. Fransaction Code (Instr. B)		of		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of		of s ng e Secui		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly D	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Stock Option	\$29.225	04/25/2006			A		1,519		04/25/2008	04	4/24/2014	Common Stock	1,5	19	\$29.225	1,519		D	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Kathleen M. Owens, by Power

of Attorney for Robert G.

04/27/2006

Potter

** Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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

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