### 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*  PACHOLEC FRANK						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [ SCL ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (sixe title Check (Reposit))					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/16/2005									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Vice President R&D					
(Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093					4. If A	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)	(Sta	te) (2	Zip)													Person				
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Secu	uritie	es Acc	quired	, Dis	sposed o	f, or Ber	nefic	ially	Owned					
			2. Transac Date (Month/Da		/Year) Executi		Deemed ecution Date, ny onth/Day/Year)		ction Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Pric	е	Transacti (Instr. 3 a					
Common S	Stock			06/16/2005(1)				P		6.752	A	\$2	1.66	51,278	8.776(2)		D			
Common S	Stock			09/16/2005(1)		5(1)		P		5.678	A	\$2	5.99			.132 <sup>(3)</sup> D				
Common Stock				12/16/2		)5 <sup>(1)</sup>			P		5.823	A		6.19	51,301	.778(4)		D		
Common Stock				02/24/2	3(1)			P		400	A	\$	27	52,101.778		D				
Common Stock				02/24/2006(1)				P		600	A	\$20			1.778 <sup>(6)</sup>		D			
Common Stock				03/16/2006(1)				P		5.8	A	\$20	6.49	53,313	53,313.378 <sup>(7)</sup>		D			
Common Stock 00					06/16/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>						4.834	A	-			3.046 <sup>(8)</sup>		D		
Common Stock				09/18/2006(1)				P		5.086	A						D			
Common Stock				03/15/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>		+		P		91.477	A	\$26.78		<del>                                     </del>		_	D			
Common Stock 06/15/2							P		78.49	A	1	1.45			_	D				
Common Stock 09/14/2									P		82.958	A	\$29.95		<u> </u>		D			
Common Stock 12/14/20									P		79.584		_	2.2	53,998.236(13)		D			
Common Stock 02/28/2				2013				M		1,969(14	) A	(1	14)	55,967.236			D			
Common Stock															1,488.906(15)			I :	By ESOP II Trust	
		Та	able II								osed of, convertib				Owned		,	,		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution if any	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		ction nstr.	on of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ite	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. 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	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber						
Performance (16) 02/28/2013 Shares			М			2,344	(16)		(16)	Common Stock	2,3	44	(16)	0		D				
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. This transaction is being reported late due to an inadvertent oversight.
- 2. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 6.752 additional shares of Common Stock. Reflects de minimis adjustment of .049 shares and also reflects adjustment of 1,567.953 post-split shares that had been reported as beneficially owned by the Reporting Person, but were not beneficially owned.
- 3. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 5.678 additional shares of Common Stock.
- 4. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 5.823 additional shares of Common Stock
- 5. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 400 additional shares of Common Stock.
- 6. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 600 additional shares of Common Stock.
- 7. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 5.8 additional shares of Common Stock. 8. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 4.834 additional shares of Common Stock.

- 9. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 5.086 additional shares of Common Stock.
- 10. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 91.477 additional shares of Common Stock.
- 11. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 78.49 additional shares of Common Stock.
- 12. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 82.958 additional shares of Common Stock.
- 13. On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 79.584 additional shares of Common Stock.
- 14. Amount reported reflects vesting of 1,969 performance shares on Table II due to achievement of certain financial targets by December 31, 2012. Also reflects the 2-for-1 stock split of Stepan Company Common Stock on November 30, 2012.
- 15. Reflects ESOP II acquisitions that have occurred since the Reporting Person's last ownership report covering ESOP II holdings.
- 16. The performance shares vested upon Stepan Company achieving certain financial targets by December 31, 2012. Also reflects the 2-for-1 stock split of Stepan Company Common Stock on November 30, 2012.

#### Remarks:

The Reporting Person's purchases of SCL Common Stock reported herein (to the extent of 5.823 shares on 12/16/05, 5.8 shares on 3/16/06, 588.377 shares on 2/24/06, 91.477 shares on 03/15/07 and 5.086 shares on 09/18/06) were matchable under Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 with the Reporting Person's previously reported sales (to the extent of 200 shares on 05/23/06, 200 shares on 05/24/06, 200 shares on 05/25/06 and 96.563 shares on 10/27/06). The Reporting Person has paid to SCL \$2,861.85, representing the full amount of the profit realized in connection with the short-swing transactions.

> Frank Pacholec 03/04/2013

\*\* 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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