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* STEPAN F QUINN JR					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> 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 WEST FRONTAGE RD.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2009									X Officer (give title below)  Presider		Othe below nt & CEO	(specify	
(Street) NORTHE	itreet) NORTHFIELD IL 60093			4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(St	ate) (	Zip)												Person			
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	/ative	Se	curit	es Ac	quired	, Dis	posed o				y Own	ed		
			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ır)   E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acq Disposed Of (D) ( 5)		Acquired (A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned Report	ies cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or F	Price	Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)		(moth 4)
Common	Stock			12/17	//2009				G		391		A	\$0.00	48,9	87.0816	D	
Common	Stock			12/17	//2009				G		391	1	D	\$0.00	48,5	96.0816	D	
Common	Stock			12/17	//2009				G		391	1	A	\$0.00	7	,275	I	By Spouse
Common Stock			12/17/2009					G	G 391		_   1	D	\$0.00	6	,884	I	By Spouse	
Common	Stock			12/17	//2009				G		782		A	\$0.00	1	5,792	I	By Children
Common Stock			12/17/2009					G		1,173	1	A	\$0.00		5,856	I	By Self as Custodian for Children	
Common Stock															50	),880	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock														2:	1,312	I	By Family Trust <sup>(2)</sup>	
Common Stock														30	),257	I	By Family LLC <sup>(2)</sup>	
		Ta									osed of, onvertib				Owned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		n Date,	Code (Ins		ion of		6. Date E Expiration (Month/I	on Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		tr. 3	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	rative derivative rity Securities	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				С		v			Date Exercisa	Expiration isable Date		Title	or Num of Shar	ber				

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Joint Tenancy with Spouse.
- 2. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

F. Quinn Stepan, Jr.

12/21/2009

\*\* 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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