

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>WOOD ROBERT JOHN</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE RD.  (Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>STEPAN CO [ SCL ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  X VP & GM Polymers
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/23/2007	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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	01/23/2007		J		2,602.4353	A	(1)	4,825.4353	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						
5 1/2% Convertible Preferred Stock	(2)	01/23/2007		J		617.1022		08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock	704.5764	(2)	704.5764	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Number of common stock shares allocated to reporting person's account on January 23, 2007, under the Employee Stock Ownership Plan II (ESOP II) established by Stepan Company. A total of 407,920 unallocated common stock shares was transferred to the ESOP II from the Stepan Company Profit Sharing Plan on December 27, 2006.
- Number of preferred stock shares allocated to reporting person's account on January 23, 2007, under the Employee Stock Ownership Plan II (ESOP II) established by Stepan Company. A total of 96,728 unallocated preferred stock shares was transferred to the ESOP II from the Stepan Company Profit Sharing Plan on December 27, 2006. The preferred stock conversion rate is 1.14175 shares of common stock for each share of preferred stock.

Remarks:

Robert John Wood

01/25/2007

\*\* 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of H. Edward Wynn and Kathleen M. Owens, signing singly, as the undersigned

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer or director of Stepan Company ("the Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5, and ar

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such form or schedule a

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best i

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's f

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 25th day of January 2007.

/s/ Robert John Wood