FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## 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 ]								heck all D	applic recto	,		son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2011									below)  Vice President R&D				<b>Бреспу</b>	
(Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093 (City) (State) (Zip)				- 4. l	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 Person						
. ,,	`			on-Deri	vative	Sec	uriti	ies Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	of, or Be	neficia	lly Ow	ned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				ction	2A. I Exec if an	A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securitie	Acquired (A) or f (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. A Se Be Ow	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tra	nsacti str. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 08/04/2					2011	011			M		1,200	A	\$24.9	94 25,43		2.1495		D		
Common Stock				08/04/	04/2011				S		1,200	D	\$73.69	692 <sup>(1)</sup> 24,232.14		2.1495		D		
Common Stock 08				08/04/	/2011				M		800	A	\$24.9	24.94 25,032.		2.1495		D		
Common Stock 08/04/2				2011	2011			S		800	D	\$74.87	74.876 <sup>(2)</sup> 24		32.1495		D			
1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction	3A. Dee	(e.g.,		calls	, wa		s, opti	ons,	posed of converti		urities)	y Own	e of	9. Number		10. Ownership	11. Nature	
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	) if any	Day/Year)	Code ( 8)				(Month			Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 a	s ig e Security	Securi (Instr.	ty	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	s lly	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$24.94	08/04/2011			M			2,000	12/22/2	2004	02/09/2014	Common Stock	2,000	\$0		509		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

Buy)

- 1. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$73.319 to \$74.150. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$74.320 to \$75.310. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

Frank Pacholec

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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