FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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TATEMENT OF	CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	. OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     VENEGONI JOHN V					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [ SCL ]								(Che	ck all applic	10% Ow		vner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2013								,	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  VP/GM Surfactants						
(Street) NORTHI			60093 (Zip)		4. 11	f Amei	ndment, [	Date o	of Origina	l Filed	(Month/Da	ay/Year)		6. Inc Line)	Form fi	led by One led by More	Repo	(Check Aporting Person One Report	1
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	action(s)			,,	
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 D if any (Month/Day/	ate, T	Code (Insti				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		curity I)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Share Units <sup>(1)</sup>	(2)	03/15/2013			A		66.062		(3)		(3)	Common	66	6.062	\$64.32 <sup>(4)</sup>	26,622.9	98	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Share Units are acquired under the Management Incentive Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2010 ("MIP"), a nonqualified deferred compensation plan which allows MIP participants to elect to defer all or a portion of their deferred compensation into accounts pursuant to MIP provisions.
- 2. Share Units convert on a one-for-one basis into Common Stock.
- 3. Reflects acquisition of Share Units pursuant to a dividend equivalent feature of the MIP, generally payable at end of employment, unless otherwise elected.
- 4. Price reported is the price of Common Stock on the date the dividend equivalents are payable pursuant to a dividend equivalent feature of the MIP.

Kathleen O. Sherlock, 03/19/2013 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* 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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