FORM 4

## 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*  Keiper Jason Scott					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [ SCL ]							(Che	elationship o eck all applic Director	able)	g Perso	on(s) to Issu 10% Ov Other (s	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1101 SKOKIE BOULEVARD, SUITE 500						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2022								below)	Officer (give title below)  VP & Chief Tec		below)	·
(Street) NORTHBROOK IL 60062 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	Amer	ndment, I	Date o	of Original	l Filed	l (Month/Day	Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Tran Date (Month					Execution Execution  Day/Year) if any (Month/Day		any	Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s Illy	Form	: Direct Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 02/15						/2022		М		1,178	A	(1)	3,550.	.3392(2)		D		
Common Stock 02/16				/2022				A		76.787	A	\$111.2	199.773 <sup>(3)</sup>			I	By ESOP II Trust	
		Т	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)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transactio Code (Inst 8)				6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		te	7. Title an Amount of Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 a	of S g e Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e es ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Performance Shares	(1)	02/15/2022			M			964	(1)		(1)	Common Stock	964	(1)	0		D	
Stock Appreciation Right	\$111.26	02/16/2022			A		5,043		12/31/20	)22 <sup>(4)</sup>	02/15/2032	Common Stock	5,043	\$0	5,043	3	D	
Performance Shares	(5)	02/16/2022			A		1,079		(5)		(5)	Common	1,079	\$0 <sup>(5)</sup>	1,079	9	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The performance shares vested upon Stepan Company achieving certain financial targets by December 31, 2021.
- $2. \ Includes \ exempt \ acquisitions \ under \ Rule \ 16b-3(c) \ and \ Rule \ 16b-3(d) \ since \ the \ date \ of \ the \ reporting \ person's \ last \ report.$
- 3. Includes exempt acquisitions under Rule 16a-11 pursuant to dividend reinvestments since the date of the reporting person's last report.
- 4. Vests ratably over three years beginning on date shown.
- 5. Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive one share of Stepan Company common stock. The performance shares vest upon Stepan Company achieving certain financial targets by December 31, 2024.

/s/ Stephanie J. Pacitti, Attorney-in-Fact for Jason Scott 02/18/2022

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\*\* 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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