## FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*         Stefaniak Debra         (Last)       (First)         (Middle         1101 SKOKIE BOULEVARD, SUITE 50	e) 3	2. Issuer Name and <u>STEPAN CO</u> 3. Date of Earliest Tra 2/08/2021	SCL ]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) VP, Business Enablement						
(Street) NORTHBROOK IL 60062 (City) (State) (Zip)		i. If Amendment, Dat	te of Original I	Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yes)		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 a		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			

		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(	(
Common Stock	12/07/2021	S		1,501	D	<b>\$121.838</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	6,663.196	D	
Common Stock							512.863 <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	Ι	By Esop II Trust

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	nd 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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The price reported is a weighted average price. Shares were sold in a series of transactions within the same trading day at prices ranging from \$121.65 to \$122.14, inclusive. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price is available upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.

2. Since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report, the reporting person has disposed of 699.996 shares held in her ESOP pursuant to a diversification election made under the Internal Revenue Code.

3. Includes exempt acquisitions under Rule 16a-11 pursuant to dividend reinvestments since the date of the reporting person's last report.

<u>/s/ Stephanie J. Pacitti,</u> <u>Attorney-in-Fact for Debra</u> <u>12/09/2021</u> <u>Stefaniak</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $^{\ast}$  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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