FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Boyce Michael Ross							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
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(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 WEST FRONTAGE ROAD							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/24/2012									icer (give title ow)		Other (specify below)		
(Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									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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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D							2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A d Of (D) (Instr. 3,			nd Sec Ber Ow	mount of urities eficially ned Following orted	Fori	wnership m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code	v	Amount		A) or D)	Price		nsaction(s) tr. 3 and 4)					
Common	Stock		4/2012				A		635	A		\$	0	1,057		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)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date, urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of	r osed (1. 3, 4	Expiration	5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			le and unt of rities rlying ative rity (In:	str. 3	8. Price of Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)		y	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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Explanation of Responses:

Kathleen O. Sherlock, Attorney-in-fact

04/25/2012

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

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