

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 10-K/A
Amendment No. 1**

(MARK ONE)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM _____ TO _____

Commission File Number 1-4462

STEPAN COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

36-1823834

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

Edens and Winnetka Road, Northfield, Illinois

(Address of principal executive offices)

60093

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code: 847-446-7500

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12 (b) of the Act:

<u>Title of Each Class</u>	<u>Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered</u>
Common Stock, \$1 par value	New York Stock Exchange Chicago Stock Exchange
5 1/2% Convertible Preferred Stock, no par value	New York Stock Exchange Chicago Stock Exchange

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12 (g) of the Act:

None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act Yes No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the

registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act) Yes No

Aggregate market value at June 30, 2012, of voting and non-voting common stock held by nonaffiliates of the registrant: \$812,371,804*

Number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock as of January 31, 2013:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Outstanding at January 31, 2013</u>
Common Stock, \$1 par value	21,965,972

Documents Incorporated by Reference

Part of Form 10-K
Part III, Items 10-14

Document Incorporated
Portions of the Proxy Statement for Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held April 30, 2013.

* Based on reported ownership by all directors, officers and beneficial owners of more than 5% of registrant's voting stock. However, this determination does not constitute an admission of affiliate status for any of these holders.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Stepan Company (the “Company”) is filing this Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A (this “Amendment”) for the sole purpose of correcting a typographical error in the 2012 ‘Per Diluted Share’ row included in the Selected Financial Data table of Item 6 of the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, as filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on February 27, 2013 (the “Original Filing”). The ‘Per Diluted Share’ amount reported for 2012 in the Selected Financial Data table of the Original Filing was inadvertently reported as \$3.71. The correct amount of \$3.49 has been corrected herein. Except as described above, no other amendments are being made to the Original Filing. This Amendment does not modify or update in any way the disclosures contained in the Original Filing.

As required by Rule 12b-15 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Company’s principal executive officer and principal financial officer are providing Rule 13a-14(a) certifications in connection with this Form 10-K/A (but otherwise identical to their prior certifications) and are also furnishing, but not filing, Rule 13a-14(b) certifications in connection with this Form 10-K/A (but otherwise identical to their prior certifications).

The corrected Selected Financial Data table is included below:

Item 6. Selected Financial Data*(In thousands, except per share data)*

<i>For the Year</i>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Net Sales	\$1,803,737	\$1,843,092	\$1,431,122	\$1,276,382	\$1,600,130
Operating Income	128,716	118,456	107,897	104,888	70,680
Percent of Net Sales	7.1%	6.4%	7.5%	8.2%	4.4%
Income Before Provision for Income					
Taxes	115,722	104,894	101,479	97,131	54,878
Percent of Net Sales	6.4%	5.7%	7.1%	7.6%	3.4%
Provision for Income Taxes	36,035	32,292	35,888	34,028	17,615
Net Income Attributable to Stepan Company	79,396	71,976	65,427	63,049	37,172
Per Diluted Share ^{(a) (b)}	3.49	3.21	2.95	2.92	1.76
Percent of Net Sales	4.4%	3.9%	4.6%	4.9%	2.3%
Percent to Total Stepan Company Stockholders' Equity ^(c)	18.0%	19.2%	20.5%	25.3%	17.9%
Cash Dividends Paid	12,757	11,513	10,570	9,557	8,863
Per Common Share ^(a)	0.5800	0.5300	0.4900	0.4500	0.4250
Depreciation and Amortization	51,294	47,099	40,351	37,171	36,928
Capital Expenditures	83,159	83,166	73,748	42,631	49,778
Weighted-average Common Shares Outstanding (Diluted) ^(a)	22,730	22,440	22,180	21,592	21,098
<i>As of Year End</i>					
Working Capital	\$ 275,911	\$ 246,516	\$ 222,199	\$ 186,297	\$ 116,288
Current Ratio	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	1.5
Property, Plant and Equipment, net	422,022	383,983	353,585	248,618	238,166
Total Assets	985,478	901,118	811,431	634,203	611,897
Long-term Debt Obligations, Less Current Maturities	149,564	164,967	159,963	93,911	104,725
Total Stepan Company Stockholders' Equity	478,985	401,211	349,491	289,285	208,144

^(a) Reflects the two-for-one common stock split that was effective December 14, 2012.^(b) Based on weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the year.^(c) Based on average equity.

EXHIBIT INDEX

- (31.1) Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer
- (31.2) Certification of Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)
- (32) Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

**CERTIFICATION OF PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULE 13a – 14(a)/15d-14(a)**

I, F. Quinn Stepan, Jr., certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Amendment No. 1 to annual report on Form 10-K/A of Stepan Company;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

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5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 12, 2013

/s/ F. Quinn Stepan, Jr.

F. Quinn Stepan, Jr.
President and Chief Executive Officer

**CERTIFICATION OF VICE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
PURSUANT TO EXCHANGE ACT RULE 13a – 14(a)/15d-14(a)**

I, James E. Hurlbutt, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Amendment No. 1 to annual report on Form 10-K/A of Stepan Company;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and

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5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
- (a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 12, 2013

/s/ James E. Hurlbutt

James E. Hurlbutt
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO
18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO
SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Amendment No.1 on Form 10-K/A of Stepan Company (the "Company") for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), each of the undersigned officers of the Company certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to such officer's knowledge:

1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company as of the dates and for the periods expressed in the Report.

Date: March 12, 2013

/s/ F. Quinn Stepan, Jr.

Name: F. Quinn Stepan, Jr.

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ James E. Hurlbutt

Name: James E. Hurlbutt

Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

The foregoing certification is being furnished solely pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 and is not being filed as part of the Report or as a separate disclosure document.