FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO SCL								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
STEPAN F QUINN JR						[~~]								X	X Director			10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2008								X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  President & CEO					specify
(Street) NORTHFIELD IL 60093					4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applical Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					n
(City)	(S	State)	(Zip)												Person	1			
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Date					nder the state of		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securitie Disposed (	es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar		Benefic Owned		es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3		tion(s)			(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock 02/2									M		2,200	A	\$30.9	688	64,39	3.6489	D		
Common Stock 02/28/20						008			S		2,200	D	\$3	5	62,19	3.6489		D	
Common Stock 02/29/20						008			M		5,192	A	\$30.9	688	67,38	35.6489		D	
Common Stock 02/29/20						008		S		5,192	D	\$3	5 62,19		3.6489		D		
		7	able II								posed of converti				wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deel Execution if any (Month/I	med on Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)	ction	5. Number tion of		6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Yo		isable and	7. Title an Amount of Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 and	d of s g s Securit	8. De Se (Ir	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	r					
Employee Stock Option	\$30.9688	02/28/2008			M			2,200	05/05/2	000	05/04/2008	Common Stock	2,200	\$	30.9688	13,945	5	D	
Employee Stock	\$30.9688	02/29/2008			M			5,192	05/05/2	000	05/04/2008	Common Stock	5,192	2   \$	30.9688	8,753		D	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

F. Quinn Stepan, Jr.

03/03/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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