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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STEPAN PAUL H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

STEPAN CO [SCL]

(Check all applicable)

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title

(Middle)

(Zip)

03/01/2006

Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A)

or

<u>(1)</u>

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common 03/01/2006 Stock

Code V Amount (D) 571 (1) A

571

D

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

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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	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transactionof		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	
Security (Instr. 3)				Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Y		(Instr. 3 and	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Directors Deferred Compensation Plan	(1)	03/01/2006		J	571 (1)	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock	571

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
STEPAN PAUL H 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093	X						

Signatures

Kathleen M. Owens, by Power of Attorney for Paul H.
Stepan
03/01/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) On March 1, 2006, 571 shares were paid to the director pursuant to the First Amendment to the Stepan Company Directors Deferred Compensation Plan which states that such shares shall be paid to the director upon termination of service on the Board of Directors.

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