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FORM 4

Form 5

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Behrens Scott R.

(Middle)

(First)

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STEPAN CO [SCL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/28/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

VP/GM Surfactants

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		sed of	` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/28/2017		M(1)	3,553	A	\$ 41.16	8,045.071	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2017		D(2)	1,922	D	\$ 76.1	6,123.071	D	
Common Stock	02/28/2017		F(3)	508	D	\$ 76.1	5,615.071	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		S	400	D	\$ 79.3775	5,215.071	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		S	100	D	\$ 79.465	5,115.071	D	

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Common Stock	03/01/2017	S	417	D	\$ 79.49	4,698.071	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017	S	100	D	\$ 79.5	4,598.071	D	
Common Stock						3,326.516	I	By Esop II Trust

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

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

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6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount

5. Number

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

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 41.16	02/28/2017		M		3,553	02/17/2017	02/16/2025	Common Stock	3,553

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Behrens Scott R. 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD			VP/GM Surfactants				
NORTHFIELD, IL 60093							
Signaturas							

Signatures

1. Title of

/s/ Matthew M. Rice, Attorney-in-fact for Scott R.
Behrens 03/02/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) The Stock Appreciation Rights ("SARs") were settled in shares of common stock as per the terms of the award.
- (2) Deemed disposition of underlying common stock to the issuer in an amount equal to the conversion price of the SARs.
- (3) Withholding of shares to satisfy tax liability on exercise of SARs.

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