PACHOLEC FRANK

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Addr PACHOLEC F | * | ng Person <u>*</u> | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (Last) (First) (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Eneen un apprication) | | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | Director 10% Owner | | | |
| 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD | | | 11/19/2012 | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | | |
| | | | | Vice President R&D | | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | |
| NORTHFIELD, IL 60093 | | | | _ Form filed by More than One Reporting erson | | | |

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Form: Direct Beneficial Code Beneficially (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) r. 4)

| | | Code V | V Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr |
|-----------------|------------|--------|----------|------------------|--------------|--|--------|
| Common Stock | 11/19/2012 | M | 1,000 | A | \$ 26.25 | 27,370.92 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/19/2012 | S | 300 | D | \$ 95.922 | 27,070.92 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/19/2012 | S | 200 | D | \$ 96 | 26,870.92 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/19/2012 | S | 500 | D | \$ 96.24 | 26,370.92 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/20/2012 | M | 1,000 | A | \$ 31.7 | 27,370.92 | D |

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| Common Stock | 11/20/2012 | S | 86 | D | \$ 98.2 | 27,284.92 | D | |
|-----------------|------------|---|-----|---|----------|-----------|---|---------------------|
| Common Stock | 11/20/2012 | S | 4 | D | \$ 98.34 | 27,280.92 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/20/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$ 98.48 | 27,180.92 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/20/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$ 98.49 | 27,080.92 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/20/2012 | S | 200 | D | \$ 98.51 | 26,880.92 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/20/2012 | S | 208 | D | \$ 98.52 | 26,672.92 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/20/2012 | S | 202 | D | \$ 98.53 | 26,470.92 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/20/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$ 98.58 | 26,370.92 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 667.989 | I | By ESOP II Trust |

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

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number ion Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|-------|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 26.25 | 11/19/2012 | | M | | 1,000 | 02/14/2008 | 02/13/2016 | Common Stock | 1,000 |

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Employee Stock

Option \$31.7 11/20/2012 M 1,000 02/13/2009 02/12/2015 Common Stock 1,000

(Right to Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PACHOLEC FRANK
22 W FRONTAGE ROA

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD Vice President R&D

Signatures

Kathleen O. Sherlock, Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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