STEPAN F QUINN JR

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(Print or Type Responses)

02/18/2009

02/19/2009

Stock

Stock

Common

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STEPAN F QUINN JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner			
22 WEST FRONTAGE RD.			02/18/2009	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				President & CEO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
NORTHFIELD, IL 60093				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(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 6. 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 Code Beneficially Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 02/18/2009 J 23.7403 Α (1) 54,632.3892 D Stock Common 02/18/2009 J 72.5074 A <u>(5)</u> 54,704.8966 D Stock Common $5,000 \frac{(3)}{}$ A 02/18/2009 M <u>(3)</u> D 59,704.8966 Stock Common

 $3,500^{(3)}$ A

D

10,450

(3)

\$0

63,204.8966

6,884

D

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Spouse

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Common Stock	02/19/2009	G	10,450	A	\$0	10,450	I	By Family LLC (6)
Common Stock	02/20/2009	G	10,000	D	\$0	0	I	By Family Trust (6)
Common Stock	02/20/2009	G	10,000	A	\$0	20,450	I	By Family LLC (6)
Common Stock	02/20/2009	G	2,865	D	\$0	60,339.8966	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2009	G	2,865	A	\$ 0	2,865	I	By Family Trust (6)

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)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Management Incentive Plan	<u>(2)</u>	02/18/2009		J	2,478.474	` /	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock
Performance Shares	<u>(4)</u>	02/18/2009		M		5,000	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
STEPAN F QUINN JR							
22 WEST FRONTAGE RD.	X		President & CEO				
NORTHFIELD II 60093							

Signatures

F. Quinn Stepan, 02/20/2009 Jr.

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**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) Number of common stock shares acquired with dividend purchase to reporting person's account on February 18, 2009, under the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) established by Stepan Company.
- Management Incentive Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2005 ("Plan"), a 16b-3 Plan, is a nonqualified deferred compensation (2) plan which allows Plan participants to elect to defer all or a portion of their deferred compensation into accounts pursuant to Plan provisions.
- (3) Amount reported reflects vesting of 5,000 performance shares on Table II. Upon vesting, total shares delivered to Reporting Person also includes an additional 3,500 shares due to achievement of certain financial targets by December 31, 2008.
- (4) The performance shares vested upon Stepan Company achieving certain financial targets by December 31, 2008.
- (5) Number of common stock shares acquired with dividend purchase to reporting person's account on February 18, 2009, under the Employee Stock Ownership Plan II (ESOP II) established by Stepan Company.
- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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