#### PACHOLEC FRANK

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PACHOLEC FRANK |         |          | 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 all applicable)  |  |  |  |
| 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD                                      |         |          | (Month/Day/Year)<br>11/21/2012                              | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Vice President R&D                |  |  |  |
| (Street)   |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original                              | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check   |  |  |  |
| NORTHFIELD, IL 60093                                     |         |          | Filed(Month/Day/Year)                                       | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reportin Person |  |  |  |

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) Table   | e I - Non-D                             | erivative   | Secur            | ities Acq          | uired, Disposed o  | f, or Beneficial   | ly Owned  |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|------------------|--------------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |                  |                    | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|                                      |   |   | Code V                                  | Amount  | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price              | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                   |  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/21/2012                              |   | M                                       | 1,500   | A                | \$ 31.7            | 27,870.92  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/21/2012                              |   | S                                       | 1,400   | D                | \$<br>97.76<br>(1) | 26,470.92  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/21/2012                              |   | S                                       | 100   | D                | \$<br>98.68        | 26,370.92  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/23/2012                              |   | M                                       | 1,000   | A                | \$ 31.7            | 27,370.92  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/23/2012                              |   | S                                       | 100   | D                | \$<br>97.65        | 27,270.92  | D  |   |

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| Common<br>Stock | 11/23/2012 | S | 200 | D | \$<br>97.85 | 27,070.92 | D |                     |
|-----------------|------------|---|-----|---|-------------|-----------|---|---------------------|
| Common<br>Stock | 11/23/2012 | S | 200 | D | \$<br>97.86 | 26,870.92 | D |                     |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/23/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$<br>97.88 | 26,770.92 | D |                     |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/23/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$<br>97.91 | 26,670.92 | D |                     |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/23/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$<br>98.03 | 26,570.92 | D |                     |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/23/2012 | S | 95  | D | \$<br>98.07 | 26,475.92 | D |                     |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/23/2012 | S | 100 | D | \$<br>98.13 | 26,375.92 | D |                     |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/23/2012 | S | 5   | D | \$<br>98.19 | 26,370.92 | D |                     |
| Common<br>Stock |            |   |     |   |             | 667.989   | I | By ESOP<br>II Trust |

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

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(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<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)    | \$ 31.7   | 11/21/2012                           |   | M                                      |  | 1,500 | 02/13/2009   | 02/12/2015         | Common<br>Stock   | 1,500                                  |

Employee Stock

Option \$31.7 11/23/2012 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 ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

Vice President R&D

### **Signatures**

Frank Pacholec 11/26/2012

\*\*Signature of Particle 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).

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$97.490 to \$98.460. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

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