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March 20, 2017 FORM 4 Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). MITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).							OMB APPROVAL OMB 3235-028 Number: January 3 Expires: 200 Estimated average burden hours per response 0.			
(Print or Type I	Responses)									
1. Name and A Behrens Sco	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First) (Middle		3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(Check all applicable)				
22 W. FRO	NTAGE ROAD		(Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2017				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP/GM Surfactants			
NORTHFIE	nendment, Date Original Ionth/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 					
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Aca	Person uired, Disposed of	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year) Exe any	ransaction Date 2A. Deemed			ties A ispose 4 and (A) or	cquired d of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. 7. Nature o Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)		
Common	03/16/2017		Code V M(1)	Amount 2,000	(D) A	Price \$ 0	5,258.501	D		
Stock	03/10/2017		111	2,000	11	φ0	5,250.501	D		
Common Stock	03/16/2017		D <u>(2)</u>	1,035	D	\$ 79.52	4,223.501	D		
Common Stock	03/16/2017		F <u>(3)</u>	301	D	\$ 79.52	3,922.501	D		
Common Stock	03/17/2017		S	664	D	\$ 78.96	3,258.501	D		
Common Stock							3,335.349	Ι	By Esop II Trust	

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number ction of Derivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Numbe of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 41.16	03/16/2017		М		2,000	02/17/2017	02/16/2025	Common Stock	2,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Behrens Scott R. 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093			VP/GM Surfa	actants			
Signatures							
/s/ Matthew M. Rice, Attorney-in-fact for Scott R. Behrens 03/20/2017							
**Signature of Report	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) 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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