WOOD ROBERT JOHN

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Ad WOOD ROB | | - | 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) | | |
| 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD | | | (Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2013 | Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) V.P. & General Manager | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/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 Person | | |
| NORTHFIELD, IL 60093 | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq | quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-D | Derivative | Secur | ities Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly 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) | 4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3, | ispose 4 and (A) or | d of (D) | 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 | 03/13/2013 | | M <u>(1)</u> | 5,000 | A | \$ 18.46 | 19,427 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/13/2013 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 5,000 | D | \$ 64 | 14,427 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 11,226.413 | I | By ESOP II Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 900 | I | By Mother |

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|----------------------|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 18.46 | 03/13/2013 | | M <u>(1)</u> | 5,000 | 02/10/2011 | 02/09/2017 | Common Stock | 5,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WOOD ROBERT JOHN 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

V.P. & General Manager

Signatures

Robert John Wood 03/15/2013

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) Transaction completed pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan.

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