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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Behrens Scott R.

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STEPAN CO [SCL]

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

03/20/2017

below)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

VP/GM Surfactants

(Street)

(First)

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) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/20/2017		M(1)	2,000	A	\$0	5,258.501	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2017		D(2)	1,032	D	\$ 79.8	4,226.501	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2017		F(3)	301	D	\$ 79.8	3,925.501	D	
Common Stock							3,335.349	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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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 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation	\$ 41.16	03/20/2017		M	2,000	02/17/2017	02/16/2025	Common Stock	2,00

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Behrens Scott R.

Right

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

VP/GM Surfactants

Signatures

/s/ Matthew M. Rice, Attorney-in-fact for Scott R.

Behrens 03/22/2017

> **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) 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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