# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

	Washington, D.C. 20549
	FORM 8-K
	CURRENT REPORT
PURSUAN	TT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECU	RITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Date of repo	rt (Date of earliest event reported) April 27, 2004
ST	EPAN COMPANY
(Exact	Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)
	Delaware
(Si	ate or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-4462 (Commission File Number)  ${\bf 36\text{-}1823834} \\ \textbf{(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)}$ 

Edens and Winnetka Road,

60093

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## Northfield, Illinois (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (847) 446-7500

#### Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

#### (c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
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99.1	Press Release of Stepan Company dated April 27, 2004

### Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure and Item 12. Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 27, 2004, Stepan Company (Stepan) issued a press release providing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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## **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

STEPAN COMPANY

By: /s/ Kathleen M. Owens

Kathleen M. Owens Assistant Secretary

Date: April 28, 2004

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