

STEPAN CO  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Stefaniak Debra

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD  
(Street)

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STEPAN CO [SCL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/18/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP, Business Transformation

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	11/18/2016		M		1,000 A \$ 37.51	D	6,497.196
Common Stock	11/18/2016		S		100 D \$ 77.47	D	6,397.196
Common Stock	11/18/2016		S		100 D \$ 77.48	D	6,297.196
Common Stock	11/18/2016		S		100 D \$ 77.49	D	6,197.196
Common Stock	11/18/2016		S		200 D \$ 77.58	D	5,997.196

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Common Stock	11/18/2016	S	100	D	\$ 77.69	5,897.196	D	
Common Stock	11/18/2016	S	100	D	\$ 77.71	5,797.196	D	
Common Stock	11/18/2016	S	200	D	\$ 77.77	5,597.196	D	
Common Stock	11/18/2016	S	100	D	\$ 77.78	5,497.196	D	
Common Stock						2,205.216 <sup>(1)</sup>	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 (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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.51	11/18/2016		M	1,000	02/07/2013 02/06/2019	Common Stock	1,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stefaniak Debra 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093			VP, Business Transformation	

## Signatures

/s/ Debra A.  
Stefaniak

11/21/2016

\_\_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) Reflects ESOP II acquisitions that have occurred since the Reporting Person's last ownership report covering ESOP II holdings.

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