PACHOLEC FRANK

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PACHOLEC FRANK Issuer Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD 03/02/2018 below) below) Vice President, Strategy (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NORTHFIELD, IL 60093 Person (City) (State) (Zin)

| (City) | (State) (| Table | e I - Non-D | erivative | Secur | ities Acq | uired, Disposed of | f, or Beneficiall | ly Owned |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|-----------|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial | |
| (====================================== | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | (====================================== | (A) | -, | Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2018 | | F(1) | 1,005 | D | \$ 80.76 | 51,120.31 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 2,169.255 | 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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title | and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | TransactionNumber | | Expiration D | ate | Amoun | t of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underly | ying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securit | ies | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. 3 | 3 and 4) | | Own |
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| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | Or Number | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable Date | Title Number of | | | | |
| | | | | C + V | (A) (D) | | | | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

PACHOLEC FRANK 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

Vice President, Strategy

Signatures

/s/ Matthew M. Rice, attorney-in-fact for Frank Pacholec

03/06/2018

**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).

The transaction reported reflects the withholding of shares from the performance shares vested on February 21, 2018, which were (1) reported on the Form 4 filed for the reporting person on February 23, 2018. Withholding of these shares were applied to the reporting person's account on the transaction date shown.

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