STEPAN F QUINN JR

Form 4/A

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STEPAN F QUINN JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

STEPAN CO [SCL]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

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

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

02/10/2004

below) President and COO

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2004

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

(Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 24.94	02/10/2004		A		48,716		<u>(1)</u>	02/09/2014	Common Stock	48,716

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner France / Francess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
STEPAN F QUINN JR 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093	X		President and COO					

Signatures

F. Quinn Stepan,

Jr.

**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).

Original Form 4 is being amended solely for the purpose of reporting that the exercisable date was amended by the Board of Directors on (1) December 21, 2004, to be the date on which the average of the opening price and the closing price of the Stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange reaches its lowest price during the period December 21, 2004, through December 31, 2004.

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