

VENEGONI JOHN V  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
VENEGONI JOHN V

(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)  
02/28/2013

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/GM Surfactants

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/28/2013                           |  | M                              | 4,232 (1) A (1)   | 6,231.144   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/28/2013                           |  | F                              | 1,370 (1) D (1)   | 4,861.144   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 9,779.69  | 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Performance Shares                         | (2)  | 02/28/2013                           |  | M                              | 5,038   | (2) (2)  | Common Stock  | 5,038                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                 | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| VENEGONI JOHN V<br>22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD<br>NORTHFIELD, IL 60093 |               |           | VP/GM Surfactants |       |

## Signatures

Kathleen O. Sherlock,  
Attorney-in-Fact

03/04/2013

\_\_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) Amount reported reflects vesting of 4,232 performance shares on Table II due to achievement of certain financial targets by December 31, 2012. In addition, 1,370 shares were disposed of for taxes as allowed under the plan. Amounts also reflect the 2-for-1 stock split of Stepan Company Common Stock on November 30, 2012.
- (2) The performance shares vested upon Stepan Company achieving certain financial targets by December 31, 2012. Also reflects the 2-for-1 stock split of Stepan Company Common Stock on November 30, 2012.

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