

HURLBUTT JAMES E
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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 *
HURLBUTT JAMES E

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/10/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
V.P. & Chief Financial Officer

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/10/2011		M	2,000 (1) A \$ 31.7	8,132.588	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2011		S	2,000 (1) D \$ 79	6,132.588	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2011		M	1,500 (1) A \$ 31.7	7,632.588	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2011		S	1,500 (1) D \$ 81	6,132.588	D	
Common Stock					16.8 (2)	I	By ESOP II Trust

Common Stock	337,248	I	Member of Plan Committee of Stepan Company
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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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.7	11/10/2011		M	2,000 <u>(1)</u>	02/13/2009	02/12/2015	Common Stock	2,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.7	11/10/2011		M	1,500 <u>(1)</u>	02/13/2009	02/12/2015	Common Stock	1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
HURLBUTT JAMES E 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093	V.P. & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Kathleen O. Sherlock,
Attorney-in-fact

11/15/2011

__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) Transaction completed pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan.

Since the date of the Reporting Person's last ownership report, the Reporting Person has acquired 16,800 shares pursuant to a dividend

(2) reinvestment feature of ESOP II and disposed of 2,156.166 shares pursuant to a diversification election made under the Internal Revenue Code.

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