STEC, INC. Form SC 13D/A January 25, 2013

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

SCHEDULE 13D (Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO § 240.13d-2(a)

(Amendment No. 2)1

STEC, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (Title of Class of Securities)

784774101 (CUSIP Number)

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January 25, 2013 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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1 The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON				
2 3	BALCH HILL PARTNERS, L.P. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) x GROUP (b) o SEC USE ONLY				
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS				
5	WC CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS " IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)				
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
NUMBER OF	DELAWARE	7	SOLE VOTING POWER		
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		8	- 0 - SHARED VOTING POWER		
		9	4,100,000 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER		
		10	- 0 - SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	R	
11	4,100,000 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON				
12	4,100,000** CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) o EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES				
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)				
14	8.8% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON				
	PN				
** See Item 5					

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON				
2	BALCH HILL CAPITAL, LLC CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) x GROUP (b) o				
3	SEC USE ONL	ΞΥ			
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS				
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS " IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)				
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
NUMBER OF	DELAWARE	7	SOLE VOTING POWER		
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		8	- 0 - SHARED VOTING POWER		
		9	4,100,000 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER		
		10	- 0 - SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	R	
11	4,100,000 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON				
12	4,100,000** CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) o EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES				
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)				
14	8.8% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON				
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** See Item 5					

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON				
2 3	SIMON J. MICHAEL CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) x GROUP (b) o SEC USE ONLY				
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS				
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS " IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)				
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
NUMBER OF SHARES	USA	7	SOLE VOTING POWER		
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		8	- 0 - SHARED VOTING POWER		
		9	4,100,000 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER		
		10	- 0 - SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	R	
11	4,100,000 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON				
12	4,100,000** CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) o EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES				
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)				
14	8.8% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON				
	IN				
** See Item 5					

1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON				
2	POTOMAC CAPITAL PARTNERS L.P. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) x GROUP (b) o				
3	SEC USE ONI	LY			
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS				
5	WC CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS " IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)				
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
	DELAWARE				
NUMBER OF		7	SOLE VOTING POWER		
SHARES BENEFICIALLY			- 0 -		
OWNED BY EACH		8	SHARED VOTING POWER		
REPORTING			65,659		
PERSON WITH		9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER		
			- 0 -		
		10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	R	
			65,659		
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON				
12	65,659** CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) o EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES				
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)				
14	Less than 1% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON				
	PN				
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON				
2	POTOMAC CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.L.C. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a) x GROUP (b) o				
3	SEC USE ONLY (b) 6				
4	SOURCE OF I	FUNDS			
5	AF CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS " IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)				
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
NUMBER OF	NEW YORK	7	SOLE VOTING POWER		
SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH		8	- 0 - SHARED VOTING POWER		
REPORTING PERSON WITH		9	65,659 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER		
		10	- 0 - SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	R	
11	65,659 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON				
12	65,659** CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) o EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES				
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)				
14	Less than 1% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON				
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1	NAME OF RE	PORTING PERS	ON		
2		APITAL PARTN APPROPRIATE I	ERS II, L.P. BOX IF A MEMBER OF A	(a) x (b) o	
3	SEC USE ONI	LY			
4	SOURCE OF I	FUNDS			
5	WC CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS " IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)				
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION				
NUMBER OF	DELAWARE	7	SOLE VOTING POWER		
SHARES		/	SOLE VOTING POWER		
BENEFICIALLY			- 0 -		
OWNED BY		8	SHARED VOTING		
EACH					
REPORTING					

REPORTING PERSON WITH