

HURLBUTT JAMES E  
Form 4  
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# FORM 4

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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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/14/2011

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

V.P. & Chief Financial Officer

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD

(Street)

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

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

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/14/2011		M		2,500 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	(1) 7,362.4563
Common Stock	02/14/2011		A		2,500 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	(1) 9,862.4563
Common Stock	02/14/2011		F		1,614 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	(1) 8,248.4563
Common Stock	02/15/2011		J		9.5691	A	(3) 8,258.0254
Common Stock	02/15/2011		J		22.9157	A	(4) 8,280.9411



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- Amount reported reflects vesting of 2,500 performance shares on Table II. Upon vesting, total shares delivered to reporting person also
- (1) includes an additional 2,500 shares due to achievement of certain financial targets by December 31, 2010. Also, 1,614 shares were disposed of for taxes as allowed under the plan.
  - (2) The performance shares vested upon Stepan Company achieving certain financial targets by December 31, 2010.
  - (3) Number of common stock shares acquired with dividend purchase to reporting person's account on February 15, 2011, under the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) established by Stepan Company.
  - (4) Number of common stock shares acquired with dividend purchase to reporting person's account on February 15, 2011, under the Employee Stock Ownership Plan II (ESOP II) established by Stepan Company.

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