

VENEGONI JOHN V  
Form 4  
December 26, 2012

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

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

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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)  
12/21/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

VP/GM Surfactants

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ 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<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 12/21/2012                              |                                                             | C                                    | Amount<br>1,217.34<br>(1)                                               | A \$ 0 9,659.262 (1)                                                                                               | I                                                                    | By ESOP<br>II Trust                                               |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                         | 8,793.144                                                                                                          | D                                                                    |                                                                   |

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) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V (A) (D)                                                                               | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Amount or Number of Shares                              |
| Convertible Preferred Stock                | <u>(1)</u>                                             | 12/21/2012                           |                                                    | C                              | 533.103                                                                                 | <u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u>                                    | Common Stock 1,217.34                                         |

## 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 12/26/2012

\_\_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).

On November 30, 2012, the common stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in each share of convertible preferred stock being convertible at any time into 2.2835 shares of common stock. The shares of convertible preferred stock had no expiration date. Effective

- (1) December 21, 2012, the Plan Committee of Stepan Company, on behalf of all ESOP II participants, converted all shares of convertible preferred stock in ESOP II, resulting in the Reporting Person's acquisition of 1,217.340 shares of common stock. Also reflects ESOP II acquisitions that have occurred since the Reporting Person's last ownership report covering ESOP II holdings.

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