

VENEGONI JOHN V
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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 *
VENEGONI JOHN V

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/21/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP/GM Surfactants

(Street)
NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

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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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/21/2012		C	(A) Amount 1,217.34 (1)	A \$ 0	9,659.262 (1)	I By ESOP II Trust
Common 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		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
					Acquired (A) or	Disposed of (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date			
					(A)	(D)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)			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 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093			VP/GM Surfactants	

Signatures

Kathleen O. Sherlock, Attorney-in-Fact	12/26/2012
<small>__Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

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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