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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add STEPAN F Q		ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD)	(Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2009	_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman			
(Street) NORTHFIELD, IL 60093			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed o	f, or Benefici	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Dispose (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	d of (Ľ))	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)
Stock	05/19/2009		J	104.902	A	(1)	301,900.183	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2009		J(2)	65,286	D	\$ 46.99	187,357	I	Stepan Venture II Partnership

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
STEPAN F QUINN 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD	X	X	Chairman					
NORTHFIELD, IL 60093								

Signatures

Frank Quinn 05/19/2009 Stepan **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).
- Number of common stock shares acquired with ESOP II Company contribution to reporting person's account on May 19, 2009, under the Employee Stock Ownership Plan II (ESOP II) established by Stepan Company.
- Disposition of shares pursuant to optional redemption by certain Limited Partners of the Stepan Venture II Partnership valued at \$46.99 **(2)**

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