

HURLBUTT JAMES E

Form 4

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FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HURLBUTT JAMES E

(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)
09/15/2011

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)

V.P. & Chief Financial Officer

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 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock					6,132.588 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock					2,156.166 ⁽¹⁾	I	By ESOP II Trust
Common Stock					337,248	I	Member of Plan Committee of Stepan Company

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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Share Units ⁽²⁾	<u>(3)</u>	09/15/2011		A		31.599		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	31.599	\$ 7 (

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HURLBUTT JAMES E 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093			V.P. & Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

James E.
Hurlbutt 09/19/2011

Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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Effective July 1, 2011, the Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") merged with and into the Employee Stock Ownership Plan II ("ESOP II"). All shares previously held under ESOP and ESOP II are now reflected as indirect holdings under the ESOP II trust. The

- (1) amount reported for ESOP II in column five consists of shares that were previously reported as direct holdings, but are now reported as indirect holdings. The amount reported for ESOP II in column five also includes 7.813 shares of common stock acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of ESOP II.

Share Units are acquired under the Management Incentive Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2010 ("MIP"), a nonqualified

- (2) deferred compensation plan which allows MIP participants to elect to defer all or a portion of their deferred compensation into accounts pursuant to MIP provisions.
- (3) Share Units convert on a one-for-one basis into Common Stock.

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- (4) Reflects acquisition of Share Units pursuant to a dividend equivalent feature of the MIP, generally payable at end of employment, unless otherwise elected.
- (5) Price reported is the price of Common Stock on the date the dividend equivalents are payable pursuant to a dividend equivalent feature of the MIP.

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