WOOD ROBERT JOHN

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WOOD ROBERT JOHN Issuer Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD 12/14/2012 below) below) V.P. & General Manager (Street) 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 NORTHFIELD, IL 60093 Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Table	quired, Disposed o	red, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if Transaction		4. Securities nAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
((Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock				Amount (D) Thee	9,668.154 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	I	By ESOP II Trust	
Common Stock					900 (3)	I	By Mother	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Share Units (4)	<u>(5)</u>	12/14/2012	A	45.898	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	45.898	\$ 1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WOOD ROBERT JOHN 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

V.P. & General Manager

Signatures

Robert John Wood 12/18/2012

**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).
- (1) Reflects ESOP II acquisitions that have occurred since the Reporting Person's last ownership report covering ESOP II holdings.
- (2) On November 30, 2012, the Common Stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 4,834.077 additional shares of Common Stock.
- (3) On November 30, 2012, the Common Stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 450 additional shares of Common Stock.
- Share Units are acquired under the Management Incentive Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2010 ("MIP"), a nonqualified 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.
- (5) Share Units convert on a one-for-one basis into Common Stock.
- (6) Reflects acquisition of Share Units pursuant to a dividend equivalent feature of the MIP, generally payable at end of employment, unless otherwise elected.
- (7) 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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On November 30, 2012, the Common Stock of Stepan Company split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 14,509.483 additional Share Units.

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