SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) December 21, 2006

STEPAN COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-4462 (Commission File Number) 36-1823834 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

Edens and Winnetka Road,

60093

Northfield, Illinois
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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(Zip Code)

 $Registrant \ \ s \ telephone \ number, including \ area \ code \underline{: (847)} \ 446\text{-}75\underline{0}0$

Former name or former address, if changed since last report: Not Applicable

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On December 21, 2006, Stepan Company (Stepan) issued a press release announcing that it expects to report a fourth quarter loss for the quarter ended December 31, 2006. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release of Stepan Company dated December 21, 2006

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

STEPAN COMPANY

By: /s/ Kathleen M. Owens Kathleen M. Owens Assistant Secretary

Date: December 22, 2006

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