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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Beamer Scott D Issuer Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD 02/17/2015 below) below) VP & Chief Financial Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 02/17/2015 F 1,140 D 4,232 D 41.15 Stock

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

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Person

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	erivative Expiration Date urities (Month/Day/Year) uired or oosed of r. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.16	02/17/2015		A	2,888	02/17/2017	02/16/2025	Common Stock	2,888
Performance Shares	(1)	02/17/2015		A	2,915	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,91:
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 41.16	02/17/2015		A	8,665	02/17/2017	02/16/2025	Common Stock	8,66:

Reporting Owners

Poporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	_

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Beamer Scott D

22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093

VP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Scott D. Beamer 02/18/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive 1 share of Stepan Company Common Stock. The performance shares vest upon Stepan Company achieving certain financial targets by December 31, 2017.

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