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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| | 1. Name and A | Address of Reporting QUINN | Symbol | er Name an | d Ticker or Trading | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|--------------|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Mide | | Middle) 3. Date of | of Earliest T | ransaction | (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
| 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD | | | (Month/ 12/18/2 | Day/Year) 2015 | | _X_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman | | | | |
| | | (Street) | 4. If Am | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| | NORTHFII | ELD, IL 60093 | Filed(Mo | onth/Day/Yea | r) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| | (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tak | ole I - Non-l | Derivative Securities Ac | | of, or Benefic | cially Owned | | |
| | 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transactio | 4. Securities Acquired | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of | | |

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| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Transaction Code | | 4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially | 6. Ownership Form: Direct | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. | Í | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or | | Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price | | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/18/2015 | | G | V | 22,400 | D | \$ 0 | 311,323 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 47,979.748 (1) | I | By ESOP II Trust | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 530,542 | I | Stepan Venture II Partnership | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 286,126 | I | By spouse | |

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) | 4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ate | 7. Title Amoun Under Securi (Instr. | nt of lying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|---|
| | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Transfer de la companya de la compan | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| STEPAN F QUINN | | | | | | | | |
| 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD | X | | Chairman | | | | | |
| NORTHFIELD, IL 60093 | | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Frank Quinn
Stepan

**Signature of Reporting Person

To 2/22/2015

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 and dispositions that have occurred since the Reporting Person's last ownership report covering ESOP II holdings.

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