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FORM 5

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1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
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Form 4 Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer STEPAN F QUINN Symbol STEPAN CO [SCL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 12/31/2016 below) below) 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line)

NORTHFIELD, ILÂ 60093

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-De	rivative Sec	urities	Acqui	red, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ially 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. Securitie (A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4)	posed o	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/16/2016	Â	G	14,405	D	\$0	286,918	D	Â
Common Stock	12/18/2016	Â	G	115,857	D	\$0	170,269	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	517,520	I	Stepan Venture II Partnership

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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	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)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
	Security				(Instr. 3, 4, and	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Share	Â	09/15/2016	Â	A4	1,143.717	Â	(4)	(4)	Common	1,143.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
·r. · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
STEPAN F QUINN 22 W. FRONTAGE ROAD NORTHFIELD, IL 60093	ÂX	Â	Â	Â			

Signatures

/s/ Matthew M. Rice, attorney-in-fact for F. Quinn Stepan

02/14/2017

**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).
- On December 17, 2014, the reporting person's spouse contributed 286,126 shares of common stock of the issuer to a grantor retained annuity trust for the benefit of her children. Under the terms of the trust, 115,857 shares were distributed to the trust beneficiaries and the remaining 170,269 shares were distributed to the reporting person's spouse and continue to be reported in this Form 5 as indirectly owned by the reporting person.
- Share Units are acquired under the Management Incentive Plan (As Amended and Restated Effective January 1, 2015) ("MIP"), a

 (2) 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.
- (3) Share Units convert on a one-for-one basis into Common Stock
- (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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Remarks:

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Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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