# 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) July 23, 2003

# **STEPAN COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware 1-4462 36-1823834

(State or Other (Commission (I.R.S. Employer

Jurisdiction of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

Edens and Winnetka Road,

Northfield, Illinois 60093

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (847) 446-7500

#### Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

#### (c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
99 1	Press Release of Stepan Company dated July 23, 2003

#### Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure and Item 12. Disclosure of Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 23, 2003, Stepan Company (Stepan) issued a press release providing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2003. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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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: July 28, 2003

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