

STEPAN CO
Form 8-K
April 28, 2004

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) April 27, 2004

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

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Northfield, Illinois
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

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

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

(c) Exhibits

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 99.1 | Press Release of Stepan Company dated April 27, 2004 |

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

On April 27, 2004, Stepan Company (Stepan) issued a press release providing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

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: April 28, 2004

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