Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of equity securities of the issuer that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Martin Joseph Richards						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Steel Connect, Inc. [STCN]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
<u> Martin Joseph Kicharus</u>											-				1	Direc	tor		10% Ov	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2025								1		Officer (give title below)			Other (s	specify	
C/O STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P.						01/02/2023															
590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6.	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
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Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 01/02/2					2025				D ⁽¹⁾		12,164		D	(2)(3)(4)		0			D		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																					
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On January 2, 2025, Steel Excel Sub I, LLC ("Merger Sub") merged with and into the Issuer, with the Issuer surviving the Merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Steel Partners Holdings L.P. (the "Merger").
- 2. At the effective time of the Merger (the "Effective Time"), each share of the Issuer's common stock (the "Shares") issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time (other than (A) Shares owned by Merger Sub, the Issuer or any of the Issuer's wholly owned subsidiaries (the "Excluded Shares") and (B) Shares held by stockholders who have properly and validly exercised their statutory rights of appraisal in respect of such Shares in accordance with Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "Dissenting Shares")), was cancelled and automatically converted into the right to receive (i) cash consideration equal to \$11.45 per Share (the "Per Share Cash Merger Consideration") and (ii) one Reith CVR per Share (together with the Per Share Cash Merger Consideration, the "Per Share Merger Consideration").
- 3. Includes 7,150 shares of restricted stock (each a "Restricted Share") issued by the Issuer pursuant to, or otherwise governed by, any Issuer equity plan, that were outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time. At the Effective Time, each Restricted Share became fully vested, and subject to any applicable tax withholding on such acceleration, and, subject to the terms of the CVR Agreement, each holder of a Restricted Share received the Per Share Merger Consideration.
- 4. The officers and directors of the Issuer have waived any right to receive any portion of the Reith Net Litigation Proceeds with respect to any Reith CVR received in the Merger.

/s/ Maria Reda, attorney-in-01/06/2025

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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