

STEC, INC.  
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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A  
(Rule 14a-101)

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT

SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. )

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STEC, INC.  
(Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

BALCH HILL PARTNERS, L.P.  
BALCH HILL CAPITAL, LLC  
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Balch Hill Partners, L.P. (“Balch Hill”), together with the other participants named herein, has made a definitive filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of a proxy statement and accompanying GOLD proxy card to be used to solicit votes for the election of a slate of director nominees at the 2013 annual meeting of shareholders of STEC, Inc.

Item 1: On June 20, 2013, Balch Hill delivered the following presentation to Institutional Shareholder Services Inc.:

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