ROWAN COMPANIES PLC

Form 4

August 27, 2015

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] QUICKE JOHN J	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol ROWAN COMPANIES PLC [RDC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/25/2015	__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner _____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below) below)
2800 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 5450 (Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
HOUSTON, TX 77056 (City) (State) (Zip)		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price Derivat Security

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 5
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Share Units (RSUs)	(1)	08/25/2015(2)		A		259		(3)	(3)	Class A Ordinary Shares	259	$ 0 (

Reporting Owners

	Relationships			
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
QUICKE JOHN J 2800 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056	X			

Signatures

/s/ Melanie M. Trent, Attorney-in-Fact	08/27/2015
**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).

(1)   Each restricted share unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one Class A Ordinary Share of Rowan Companies plc.

(2)   On August 25, 2015, the Company paid a dividend of $0.10 per share on its Class A Ordinary Shares. The Reporting Person received the number of restricted share units reported in lieu of such cash dividend.

(3)   Upon forfeiture of an annual RSU award prior to vesting, any RSUs credited to the Reporting Person in lieu of cash dividends with respect to such forfeited RSUs are also forfeited. RSUs are settled after the final termination date of the Reporting Person's service as a director. At the election of the Compensation Committee, such settlement may be made in cash or common shares of the Company.

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