

ROWAN COMPANIES PLC
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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 *
MOYNIHAN COLIN B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2800 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 5450

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ROWAN COMPANIES PLC [RDC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/01/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Ordinary Shares	05/01/2015		M	44,336	A	59,336	D (2)
Ordinary Shares	05/01/2015		D	25,719	D	33,617	D (2)

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Share Units	(3)	05/01/2015		M	44,336	05/01/2015 05/01/2015	Ordinary Shares 44,336

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MOYNIHAN COLIN B 2800 POST OAK BLVD SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056	X			

Signatures

/s/ Melanie M. Trent,
Attorney-in-Fact
Date: 05/05/2015

**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) Upon the reporting person's retirement from the Board of Directors of the Company, 44,336 restricted share units were settled, of which 18,617 were settled for ordinary shares on a one-for-one basis and 25,719 were settled in cash at the market price of \$21.31 per ordinary share. The market price reflects the average high and low price on Friday, May 1, 2015. A portion of the cash was retained by the Company for tax withholding.

(2) Includes 3,000 shares held indirectly through a pension trust.

(3) See footnote (1) above.

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