Rowan Companies plc		77056-6189
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)	(Commission File Number	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
England and Wales	1-5491	98-1023315
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its	charter)	
Rowan Companies plc		
Date of Report (Date of earliest event repor	rted): February 26, 2016	
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Sec	curities Exchange Act of 193	34
CURRENT REPORT		
FORM 8-K		
Washington, D.C. 20549		
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COM	MISSION	
UNITED STATES		
Form 8-K February 26, 2016		

2800 Post Oak Boulevard

Suite 5450	(Zip Code)

Houston, Texas (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 621-7800

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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"Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

"Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 - Results of Operations and Financial Condition

The following information is disclosed pursuant to Item 2.02 - Results of Operations and Financial Condition:

On February 26, 2016, Rowan Companies plc issued a press release announcing its operating results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2015. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.

Item 9.01 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Exhibit Description

Press release of Rowan Companies plc dated February 26, 2016 announcing its operating results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2015.

SIGNATURES

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.

Dated: February 26, 2016 Rowan Companies plc

By:/s/ Stephen M. Butz
Stephen M. Butz
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Exhibit List

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