#### **ROWAN COMPANIES INC**

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# FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A CROYLE R	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ROWAN COMPANIES INC [RDC]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)					
(Last)	(First) (M	Iiddle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction								
2800 POST 5450	(Month/Day/Year) 12/18/2007					_X_ Director Officer (gives below)		6 Owner eer (specify			
	(Street)				Dat	e Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)						Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
HOUSTON,											
(City)	(State)	Zip)	Table	e I - Nor	n-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Dee Month/Day/Year) Execution any (Month/		Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities nAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price			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)
Common Stock	12/18/2007			G	V	500	D	\$ 0	58,958	D	
Common Stock	12/25/2007			G	V	2,000	D	\$0	56,958	D	

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

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Code V (A) (D) Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CROYLE ROBERT G 2800 POST OAK BLVD SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056	X						

### **Signatures**

/s/ Melanie M. Trent, attorney-in-fact

01/03/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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