ROWAN COMPANIES INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CROYLE ROBERT G

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

ROWAN COMPANIES INC [RDC]

(Middle)

(Check all applicable)

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

06/06/2008

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

2800 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE

5450

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

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

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 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(A) or Dispose (D)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,					(Inst
				Code V	/ (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	06/06/2008		A	3,000)	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	3,000	\$
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	06/13/2008		A	16 <u>(3)</u>		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	16	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	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 06/16/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** 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 stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Rowan Companies, Inc. common stock.
- The initial grant vests on the date of the next annual meeting of stockholders. Vested shares (including any dividends) will be delivered to (2) the reporting person after the final termination date of the reporting person's service on the Board of Directors. At the election of the Compensation Committee, such payout may be made in cash or shares.
- (3) On June 13, 2008, the Company paid a dividend on its common stock. The reporting person received the number of restricted stock units shown in connection with such dividend.

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