ROWAN COMPANIES PLC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Trent Melanie Montague Syr RO			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROWAN COMPANIES PLC [RDC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
2800 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 5450		O, SUITE	(Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2015	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, General Counsel & CAO			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
HOUSTON, TX 77056			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own								ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities A Transaction(A) or Dispose Code (Instr. 3, 4 and (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D)			d of (D)	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)	
Ordinary Shares	03/05/2015		F	1,364 (1)	D	\$ 20.285 (2)	60,086 (3)	D	

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
	Derivative Security				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne Follo
					(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Trent Melanie Montague 2800 POST OAK BLVD SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056

EVP, General Counsel & CAO

Signatures

/s/ Melanie M.

Trent 03/09/2015

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) These shares were surrendered for tax payment upon vesting of restricted share units on March 5, 2015.
- (2) Sales price is the fair market value on March 5, 2015.
- (3) Includes 50,850 restricted shares and restricted share units held by the reporting person.

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