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### Rowan Companies, Inc.

## **Pricing Term Sheet**

\$400,000,000 4.75% Senior Notes due 2024

\$400,000,000 5.85% Senior Notes due 2044

Issuer:Rowan Companies, Inc.Guarantor:Rowan Companies plc

**Title** 4.75% Senior Notes due 2024 ( 2024 Notes )

5.85% Senior Notes due 2044 ( 2044 Notes )

Ratings: (Moody s/S&P)\* Baa3/BBB

**Principal Amount:** 

Yield to Maturity:

**Interest Rate:** 

Security Type:Senior Unsecured NotesDistribution:SEC RegisteredPricing Date:January 6, 2014Settlement Date:January 15, 2014 (T+7)Maturity Date:January 15, 2024 (2024 Notes)

January 15, 2044 (2044 Notes) \$400,000,000 (2024 Notes)

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**Benchmark:** UST 2.750% due November 15, 2023 (2024 Notes)

UST 3.625% due August 15, 2043 (2044 Notes)

**Benchmark Yield:** 2.963% (2024 Notes)

3.902% (2044 Notes)

**Spread to Benchmark:** + 180 bps (2024 Notes)

+ 195 bps (2044 Notes) 4.763% (2024 Notes)

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5.852% (2044 Notes) 4.75% (2024 Notes)

5.85% (2044 Notes)

**Public Offering Price:** 99.898% plus accrued interest, if any, from January 15, 2014 (2024 Notes)

99.972% plus accrued interest, if any, from January 15, 2014 (2044 Notes)

**Net Proceeds Before Expenses:** \$396,992,000 (2024 Notes) \$396,388,000 (2044 Notes) **Optional Redemption: 2024 Notes:** Redeemable at any time prior to October 15, 2023 in amount equal to the principal amount plus a make whole premium, using a discount rate of T+30 bps, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date. Redeemable at any time on or after October 15, 2023 in amount equal to the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date. **2044 Notes:** Redeemable at any time prior to July 15, 2043 in amount equal to the principal amount plus a make whole premium, using a discount rate of T+30 bps, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date. Redeemable at any time on or after July 15, 2043 in amount equal to the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date. **Interest Payment Dates:** January 15 and July 15, beginning on July 15, 2014 (2024 Notes) January 15 and July 15, beginning on July 15, 2014 (2044 Notes) **CUSIP/ISIN:** 779382 AR1 / US779382AR14 (2024 Notes) 779382 AS9 / US779382AS96 (2044 Notes) Barclays Capital Inc. Joint Book-Running Managers: Citigroup Global Markets Inc. Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wells Fargo Securities, LLC DNB Markets, Inc. Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated RBC Capital Markets, LLC **Co-Managers:** HSBC Securities (USA) Inc. Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc.

Mizuho Securities USA Inc.

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