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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Brooks Travis Fred			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement(Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROWAN COMPANIES PLC [RDC]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	04/25/2014	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
2800 POST	OAK						× • • •	
BLVD., SU	JITE 5450			(Check all applicable)				
(Street) HOUSTON, TX 77056				Director 10% Owner X_ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Senior Vice President			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One	
							Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Deriva	tive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•	
Ordinary Sha	ares		38,573 <u>(1)</u>		D	Â		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Security	Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Share Appreciation Right	(2)	03/07/2022	Ordinary Shares	4,146	\$ 35.47	D	Â
Share Appreciation Right	(3)	11/02/2022	Ordinary Shares	1,278	\$ 32.58	D	Â
Share Appreciation Right	(4)	03/06/2023	Ordinary Shares	20,856	\$ 34.35	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Brooks Travis Fred 2800 POST OAK BLVD. SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056	Â	Â	Senior Vice President	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Melanie M. Trent <u>**Signature of Reporting Person</u> 05/05/2014

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Includes 25,423 restricted shares and restricted share units held by the reporting person. Restricted shares and restricted share units may be settled soley in ordinary shares upon vesting.
- (2) The SARs were granted on March 7, 2012 and vest ratably on the first, second and third anniversary dates of the grant.
- (3) The SARs were granted on November 2, 2012 and vest ratably on the first, second and third anniversary dates of the grant.
- (4) The SARs were granted on March 6, 2013 and vest ratably on the first, second and third anniversary dates of the grant.

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