ROWAN COMPANIES PLC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Middle)

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SANDVOLD TORE I

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

ROWAN COMPANIES PLC [RDC]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

05/20/2014

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

2800 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE

5450

4. If Amendment, Date 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

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

5. TransactionNumber Code of

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

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

8. Price of Derivativ Security

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		,		(Instr. 3 and	4)	(Instr. 5)
				Code '	V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Share Units (RSUs)	(1)	05/20/2014(2)		A		42		<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Class A Ordinary Shares	42	\$ 0 (2)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SANDVOLD TORE I 2800 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE 5450 X HOUSTON, TX 77056

Signatures

/s/ Melanie M. Trent, Attorney-in-Fact

05/22/2014

**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 share unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one Class A Ordinary Share of Rowan Companies plc.
- (2) On May 20, 2014, the Company paid a dividend of \$0.10 per share on its Class A Ordinary Shares. The Reporting Person received the number of restricted share units shown above in lieu of such cash dividend.
- Upon forefeiture of an annual RSU award prior to vesting, any RSUs credited to the Reporting Person in lieu of cash dividends with respect to such forfeited RSUs are also forfeited. RSUs are settled after the final termination date of the Reporting Person's service as a director. At the election of the Compensation Committee, such settlement may be made in cash or common shares of the Company.

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