

ROWAN COMPANIES PLC

Form 4

November 24, 2015

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Nimocks Suzanne P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2800 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE  
5450

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

ROWAN COMPANIES PLC [RDC]

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

11/23/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                           |                                                                                                                    |                                                                      |                                                                   |
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any | 4. Transaction<br>Code | 5. Number<br>of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount<br>of Underlying<br>Securities | 8. Price<br>of Derivative<br>Security |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
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| (Instr. 3)                             | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 5) |                     |                    |                               |                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------|
|                                        |                                    |                  | Code       | V                                                                                 | (A)              | (D)        | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                         | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |          |
| Restricted<br>Share<br>Units<br>(RSUs) | (1)                                | 11/23/2015(2)    | A          |                                                                                   | 172              |            | (3)                 | (3)                | Class A<br>Ordinary<br>Shares | 172                                    | \$ 0 (3) |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                             | Relationships |           |         |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                            | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Nimocks Suzanne P<br>2800 POST OAK BLVD<br>SUITE 5450<br>HOUSTON, TX 77056 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

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

11/24/2015

\_\_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 November 23, 2015, 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 reported in lieu of such cash dividend.

(3) Upon forfeiture 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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