Hatfield Gregory Michael Form 4 March 07, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

Hatfield Gregory Michael Symb			Name and				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(T ()	(F' A)		ROWAN COMPANIES INC [RDC]				(Check all applicable)				
(Last) 2800 POST 5450	(First) (M	(Month/D	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2012				Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President & Controller				
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HOUSTON	I, TX 77056						Form filed by N Person	More than One Re	porting		
(City)	(State) (Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D) 5)	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)		
Common Stock	03/05/2012		F	681 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 35.39 (2)	45,081 <u>(3)</u>	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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hatfield Gregory Michael 2800 POST OAK BLVD SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056

Vice President & Controller

Signatures

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

03/07/2012

**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) These shares were sold to the company in payment of a tax liability due to the vesting of restricted stock awarded to the reporting person. Such restricted stock vested on March 5, 2012.
- (2) Sales price is the average stock price on March 5, 2012.
- (3) Includes 10,794 shares of restricted stock held by the reporting person and 2,326 shares held in a savings plan account as of February 29, 2012.

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