ROWAN COMPANIES PLC

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FORM 4

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Class A

Ordinary

Shares

06/10/2014

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KELLER MARK A (Last) (First) (Middle)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROWAN COMPANIES PLC [RDC]]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
2800 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 5450			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/10/2014					Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
HOUSTON		Filed(Month/Day/Year)					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)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of		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)	
Class A Ordinary Shares	06/10/2014			M	55,000	A	\$ 25.265	256,163 <u>(1)</u>	D		

49,000

(2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $32.195 \quad 207,163 \, \frac{(1)}{}$

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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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	rcise any f (Month/Day/Yo tive		4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.265	06/10/2014		M	55,000	07/21/2005(4)	07/21/2014	Class A Common Shares	55,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KELLER MARK A 2800 POST OAK BLVD SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056

Executive V.P. - Business Dev.

Signatures

/s/ Melanie M. Trent,

Attorney-in-fact 06/11/2014

**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) Includes 41,401 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) Shares disposed of to cover the exercise price and the associated tax liability incident to the exercise of the options.
- (3) Average high/low price per share on June 10, 2014. Actual sales prices ranged from \$32.01 to \$32.05. Upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) The option vested in four equal annual installments beginning on July 21, 2005.

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