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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HAY MARK H

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2800 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE 5450
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056-6127

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ROWAN COMPANIES INC [RDC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/15/2005

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)
Secretary & Asst. Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	06/15/2005		M	5,000 A \$ 18.25	15,000	D	
Common Stock	06/15/2005		M	6,000 A \$ 22	21,000	D	
Common Stock	06/15/2005		M	4,677 A \$ 13.12	25,677	D	
Common Stock	06/15/2005		M	3,350 A \$ 6.19	29,027	D	
Common Stock	06/15/2005		S	18,127 D \$ 29.5	10,900	D	

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Common Stock	06/15/2005	S	300	D	\$ 29.51	10,600	D
Common Stock	06/15/2005	S	600	D	\$ 29.52	10,000	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 18.25	06/15/2005		M	5,000	04/27/2001 ⁽¹⁾ 04/27/2010	Common Stock	5,000
Option (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 22	06/15/2005		M	6,000	04/26/2002 ⁽²⁾ 04/26/2011	Common Stock	6,000
Option (Right to Buy) ⁽³⁾	\$ 13.12	06/15/2005		M	4,677	09/20/2002 ⁽³⁾ 09/20/2011	Common Stock	4,677
Option (Right to Buy) ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 6.19	06/15/2005		M	3,350	04/25/2004 ⁽⁴⁾ 04/25/2013	Common Stock	3,350

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HAY MARK H
2800 POST OAK BLVD.
SUITE 5450

Secretary & Asst. Treasurer

HOUSTON, TX 77056-6127

Signatures

/s/ Mark H. Hay

06/17/2005

__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) This option vested in four installments on April 27, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- (2) This option vested in four installments on April 26, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005.
- (3) This option vests in four installments on September 20, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 with the first three being exercised herein.
- (4) This option vests in four installments on April 25, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 with the first two being exercised herein..

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