

ROWAN COMPANIES INC

Form 4

June 16, 2008

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 *
HUFF JOHN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**2800 POST OAK
BOULEVARD, SUITE 5450**

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

ROWAN COMPANIES INC [RDC]

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

06/06/2008

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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 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 Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Pr Deriv Secu

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 9)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	(Instr. 10)
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	06/06/2008		A	3,000			(2)		(2)		Common Stock	3,000	\$
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	06/13/2008		A	21 (3)			(2)		(2)		Common Stock	21	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HUFF JOHN R 2800 POST OAK BOULEVARD SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056	X			

Signatures

/s/ Melanie M. Trent,
attorney-in-fact

06/16/2008

__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 stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Rowan Companies, Inc. common stock.

The initial grant vests on the date of the next annual meeting of stockholders. Vested shares (including any dividends) will be delivered to
(2) the reporting person after the final termination date of the reporting person's service on the Board of Directors. At the election of the Compensation Committee, such payout may be made in cash or shares.

(3) On June 13, 2008, the Company paid a dividend on its common stock. The reporting person received the number of restricted stock units shown in connection with such dividend.

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