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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **QUICKE JOHN J** Issuer Symbol ROWAN COMPANIES PLC [RDC] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 2800 POST OAK BLVD... SUITE 03/27/2019 below) 5450 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77056 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 3. 6. Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Ownership Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) V Code Amount (D) Price Class A 54,073 Ordinary 03/27/2019 M A \$ 0 (2) 80.593 D (1) Shares Class A 5,104 F D Ordinary 03/27/2019 D 11.15 75,489 (3) (4) Shares

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Share Units	<u>(5)</u>	03/27/2019		M	54,073 (1)	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Class A Ordinary Shares	54,073	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer Other			
QUICKE JOHN J 2800 POST OAK BLVD., SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056	X					

Signatures

/s/ Mark F. Mai, 03/29/2019 Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Pursuant to the approval by the compensation committee of the Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee") of Rowan **(1)** Companies plc. (the "Company"), on March 27, 2019, the Reporting Person's restricted share units were accelerated in full.
- Restricted share units converted into Class A Ordinary Shares on a one-to-one basis pursuant to the election of the Compensation (2)Committee.
- (3) These shares were surrendered for tax payment upon vesting of restricted share units on March 27, 2019.
- (4) Sales price is the fair market value on Wednesday, March 27, 2019.
- Each restricted share unit represents a contingent right to receive cash, one Class A Ordinary Share of the Company, or a combination thereof, at the discretion of the Compensation Committee.
- Each restricted share unit vests on the earlier of the first anniversary of the date of the grant or the date of the next annual general meeting (6) of shareholders of the Company. Each restricted share unit settles upon vesting. Each restricted share unit settles in cash, Class A Ordinary Shares of the Company, or a combination thereof, at the discretion of the Compensation Committee.

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