

PILENKO THIERRY  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PILENKO THIERRY

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2800 POST OAK  
BOULEVARD, SUITE 5450

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/25/2018

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)  
HOUSTON, TX 77056

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	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. Transaction 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. F...
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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)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Restricted Share Units	(1) 05/25/2018		A		13,080		(2)	(2)	Class A Ordinary Shares	13,080

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ Ryan Tarkington,  
Attorney-in-Fact

05/29/2018

\_\_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 deferred restricted share unit represents a contingent right to receive cash, one Class A Ordinary Share of Rowan Companies plc, or a combination thereof, at the discretion of the compensation committee of the board of directors of Rowan Companies plc.

Each deferred 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 of shareholders of Rowan Companies plc. Each deferred restricted share unit settles upon the termination of the reporting

- (2) person's service on the board of directors of Rowan Companies plc. Each restricted share unit settles in cash, Class A Ordinary Shares of Rowan Companies plc, or a combination thereof, at the discretion of the compensation committee of the board of directors of Rowan Companies plc.

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