

ROWAN COMPANIES INC
Form SC 13D/A
January 09, 2009

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
(Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT
TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO
§ 240.13d-2(a)

(Amendment No. 11)¹

Rowan Companies, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.125

(Title of Class of Securities)

779382100

(CUSIP Number)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

January 7, 2009

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§ 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box " .

Note: Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See § 240.13d-7 for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

¹ The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be “filed” for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP NO. 779382100

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a)
GROUP (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

WC

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

DELAWARE

NUMBER OF	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
SHARES		
BENEFICIALLY		10,693,717 (1)
OWNED BY	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
EACH		
REPORTING		- 0 -
PERSON WITH	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	10	10,693,717 (1)
		SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

- 0 -

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

10,693,717 (1)

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

9.5%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

PN

(1) Includes 2,500,000 Shares underlying call options.

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

STEEL PARTNERS II MASTER FUND L.P.

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CAYMAN ISLANDS

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
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STEEL PARTNERS LLC

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WEBFINANCIAL L.P.

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CUSIP NO. 779382100

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

WARREN G. LICHTENSTEIN

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The following constitutes Amendment No. 11 to the Schedule 13D filed by the undersigned (“Amendment No. 11”). This Amendment No. 11 amends the Schedule 13D as specifically set forth.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5(c) is hereby amended to add the following:

(c) Schedule A annexed hereto lists all transactions in the securities of the Issuer by the Reporting Persons since the filing of Amendment No. 10 to the Schedule 13D. All of such transactions were effected in the open market.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships With Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Item 6 is hereby amended to add the following:

On January 7, 2009, Steel Partners II entered into a Sale Trading Plan Agreement (the “Agreement”) with Mutual Securities, Inc., a registered broker-dealer, for the purpose of establishing a trading plan to effect sales of Shares and Call Options of the Issuer in compliance with all applicable laws, including, without limitation, Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, including, but not limited to, Rule 10b5-1. A copy of the Agreement is attached as an exhibit hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Item 7 is hereby amended to add the following exhibit:

99.1 Sale Trading Plan Agreement by and between Steel Partners II, L.P. and Mutual Securities, Inc., dated January 7, 2009.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: January 9, 2009

STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P.

By: Steel Partners II GP LLC
General Partner

By: /s/ Sanford Antignas
Sanford Antignas
as Attorney-In-Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein,
Managing Member

STEEL PARTNERS II MASTER FUND L.P.

By: Steel Partners II GP LLC
General Partner

By: /s/ Sanford Antignas
Sanford Antignas
as Attorney-In-Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein,
Managing Member

STEEL PARTNERS LLC

By: /s/ Sanford Antignas
Sanford Antignas
as Attorney-In-Fact for Warren G.
Lichtenstein,
Manager

WEBFINANCIAL L.P.

By: Steel Partners II GP LLC
General Partner

By: /s/ Sanford Antignas
Sanford Antignas
as Attorney-In-Fact for Warren G.
Lichtenstein,
Managing Member

/s/ Sanford Antignas

SANFORD ANTIGNAS
as Attorney-In-Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein

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SCHEDULE A

Transactions in the Securities of the Issuer Since the Filing of Amendment No. 10 to the Schedule 13D

Class of Security	Securities (Sold)	Price (\$)	Date of Sale
	STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P.		
Common Stock (Short Sale)*	(109,204)	16.8276	01/07/09

STEEL PARTNERS II MASTER FUND L.P.

None

STEEL PARTNERS LLC

None

WEBFINANCIAL L.P.

None

WARREN G. LICHTENSTEIN

None

* Represents short sale "against the box".