U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

NOTICE OF EXEMPT SOLICITATION Submitted pursuant to rule 14a-6(g)

1.	Name of registrant:
	Rowan Companies, Inc.
2.	Name of person relying on exemption:
	C.R. Palmer
3.	Address of person relying on exemption:
	520 Post Oak Boulevard
	Suite 780
	Houston, TX 77027
4.	Written materials. The following written material is attached:
	Exhibit 1: Letter from C. R. Palmer to Rowan Stockholders dated March 28, 2005.