

ROWAN COMPANIES INC  
Form 8-K  
February 27, 2012

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 27, 2012**

**ROWAN COMPANIES, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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| <b>DELAWARE</b>   | <b>1-5491</b>                   | <b>75-0759420</b>                            |
| <b>(State or other jurisdiction<br/>of incorporation)</b> | <b>(Commission file Number)</b> | <b>(IRS Employer<br/>Identification No.)</b> |

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|---|-------------------|
| <b>2800 POST OAK BOULEVARD</b>                  |                   |
| <b>SUITE 5450</b>                               |                   |
| <b>HOUSTON, TEXAS</b>                           | <b>77056</b>      |
| <b>(Address of principal executive offices)</b> | <b>(zip code)</b> |

**(713) 621-7800**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

**Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:**

**Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)**

**Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 14a-12)**

**Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240-14d-2(b))**

**Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240-13e-4(c))**

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 7.01:

The Monthly Fleet Status Report for Rowan Companies, Inc., as of February 27, 2012, is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits

| Exhibit<br>Number | Exhibit Description                              |
|-------------------|--|
| 99.1              | Monthly Fleet Status Report at February 27, 2012 |

**SIGNATURES**

**Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.**

ROWAN COMPANIES, INC.

By:  /s/ William H. Wells

William H. Wells

Senior Vice President – CFO and Treasurer

(Principal Financial Officer)

Dated: February 27, 2012

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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