

PALMER CHARLES ROBERT  
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March 20, 2012

**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:  
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4. Written materials. The following written material is attached:  
Exhibit 1: Letter from C. R. Palmer to Rowan Stockholders dated March 20, 2012