

ROWAN COMPANIES INC

Form 4

August 30, 2007

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LAUSEN FREDERICK R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2800 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE
5450

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77056

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

ROWAN COMPANIES INC [RDC]

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

08/29/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Indirect 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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price Derivati Security

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	08/29/2007(2)	A		30		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	10,925	\$ 0 (2)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
LAUSEN FREDERICK R 2800 POST OAK BLVD SUITE 5450 HOUSTON, TX 77056	X

Signatures

/s/ Melanie M. Trent,
Attorney-in-Fact

08/30/2007

__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 restricted stock unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (2) On August 29, 2007, the Company paid a dividend on its common stock. The Reporting Person received the number of restricted stock units shown above in connection with such dividend.
- (3) Vested shares are delivered to the reporting person after the final termination date of the reporting person's service as a director. At the election of the Compensation Committee, such payment may be made in cash or common stock of the Company.

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