ROWAN COMPANIES PLC Form SC 13G February 03, 2015

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

SCHEDULE 13G (Rule 13d-102)

Information Statement Pursuant to Rules 13d-1 and 13d-2 Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. __)*

Rowan Companies plc (Name of Issuer)

Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.125 per share (Title of Class of Securities)

G7665A101 (CUSIP Number)

January 28, 2015

Date of Event Which Requires Filing of the Statement

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

"Rule 13d-1(b) x Rule 13d-1(c) "Rule 13d-1(d)

*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).

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION 1.NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Citadel Advisors

LLC

CHECK THE

APPROPRIATE

2.BOX IF A

MEMBER OF A

GROUP

(a)

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3.

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

4. ORGANIZATION

Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

5.

NUMBER OF (

SHARED VOTING POWER

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY 6.

6,286,220 shares

OWNED BY

EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

7.

REPORTING (

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

PERSON

See Row 6 above

WITH

IA; 00; HC

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH
REPORTING PERSON

See Row 6 above
CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

10.
CERTAIN SHARES
PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11.
5.0%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

12.

The percentages reported in this Schedule 13G are based upon 124,538,858 shares of Class A ordinary shares Loutstanding as of October 31, 2014 (according to the Form 10-Q filed by the issuer with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 7, 2014.

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION 1.NO. OF ABOVE

Citadel Advisors

Holdings III LP

CHECK THE

APPROPRIATE

2.BOX IF A

PERSON

MEMBER OF A

GROUP

(a)

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3.

CITIZENSHIP OR

PLACE OF

4. ORGANIZATION

Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

5.

NUMBER OF (

SHARED VOTING POWER

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY 6.

6,386,332 shares

OWNED BY

EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

7.

REPORTING

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

PERSON

See Row 6 above

WITH

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

See Row 6 above

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

10.

CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11.

5.1%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

12.

PN; HC

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NAME OF REPORTING **PERSON**

S.S. OR I.R.S. **IDENTIFICATION** 1. NO. OF ABOVE **PERSON**

Citadel GP LLC

CHECK THE

APPROPRIATE

2.BOX IF A

MEMBER OF A

GROUP

(a)

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3.

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

4. ORGANIZATION

Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

5.

NUMBER OF

SHARED VOTING POWER

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY 6.

6,437,332 shares

OWNED BY

EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

7.

REPORTING

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

PERSON

See Row 6 above.

WITH

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH 9. REPORTING PERSON

See Row 6 above.

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

10.

CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11.

5.2%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

12.

OO; HC

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE

Kenneth Griffin

CHECK THE

APPROPRIATE

2.BOX IF A

PERSON

MEMBER OF A

GROUP

(a)

(b) .

SEC USE ONLY

3.

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

4. ORGANIZATION

U.S. Citizen

SOLE VOTING POWER

5.

NUMBER OF 0

SHARED VOTING POWER

SHARES

BENEFICIALLY 6.

6,437,332 shares

OWNED BY

EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

7.

REPORTING 0

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

PERSON

See Row 6 above

WITH

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH 8. REPORTING PERSON

See Row 6 above

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

10.

CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11.

5.2%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

12.

IN; HC

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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer

Rowan Companies plc

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices

2800 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 5450, Houston, Texas 77056-6189

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing

This Schedule 13G is being jointly filed by Citadel Advisors LLC ("Citadel Advisors"), Citadel Advisors Holdings III LP ("CAH3"), Citadel GP LLC ("CGP") and Mr. Kenneth Griffin (collectively with Citadel Advisors, CAH3 and CGP, the "Reporting Persons") with respect to shares of Class A ordinary shares (and options to purchase Class A ordinary shares) of the above-named issuer owned by Citadel Global Equities Master Fund Ltd., a Cayman Islands limited company ("CG"), Citadel Equity Fund Ltd., a Cayman Islands limited company ("CEF"), Surveyor Capital Ltd., a Cayman Islands limited company ("SC"), Citadel Quantitative Strategies Master Fund Ltd., a Cayman Islands limited company ("CQ"), and Citadel Securities LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Citadel Securities").

Citadel Advisors is the portfolio manager for CG, CEF and SC. Citadel Advisors II LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("CA2"), is the portfolio manager of CQ. CAH3 is the managing member of Citadel Advisors and CA2. CALC III LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("CALC3"), is the non-member manager of Citadel Securities. CGP is the general partner of CALC3 and CAH3. Mr. Griffin is the President and Chief Executive Officer of, and owns a controlling interest in, CGP.

The filing of this statement shall not be construed as an admission that any of the Reporting Persons is the beneficial owner of any securities covered by the statement other than the securities actually owned by such person (if any).

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office

The address of the principal business office of each of the Reporting Persons is c/o Citadel LLC, 131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60603.

Item 2(c) Citizenship

Each of Citadel Advisors and CGP is organized as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Delaware. CAH3 is organized as a limited partnership under the laws of the State of Delaware. Mr. Griffin is a U.S. citizen.

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities

Class A ordinary shares, \$0.125 par value

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number G7665A101

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Item $3\frac{1}{a}$ If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is

- (a) "Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act;
- (b) Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act;
- (c) "Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act;
- (d) Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act;
- (e) "An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) "An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g)" A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) "A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- (i) "A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;
- (j) "Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify the type of institution:

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Item 4 Ownership

A. Citadel Ad	dvisors LLC					
(a)	Citadel Advisors ma	y be deemed to beneficially own 6,286,220 shares of Class A ordinary shares.				
	per of shares Citadel rdinary shares outsta	Advisors may be deemed to beneficially own constitutes approximately 5.0% of the anding.				
(c)Number of	of shares as to which	such person has:				
	(i)	sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0				
	(ii)	shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 6,286,220				
	(iii)	sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0				
	(iv)	shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 6,286,220				
B.Citadel Advisors Holdings III LP						
(a)	CAH3 may be deemed to beneficially own 6,386,332 shares of Class A ordinary shares.					
(b)	(b) The number of shares CAH3 may be deemed to beneficially own constitutes approximately 5.1% of the Class A ordinary shares outstanding.					
(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:						
	(i)	sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0				

shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 6,386,332

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 6,386,332

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C. Citadel GP LLC and Kenneth Griffin

- (a) CGP and Griffin may be deemed to beneficially own 6,437,332 shares of Class A ordinary shares.
- The number of shares CGP and Griffin may be deemed to beneficially own constitutes approximately 5.2% of the Class A ordinary shares outstanding.
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
 - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 6,437,332
 - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
 - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 6,437,332

Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the class of securities, check the following ".

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

Not Applicable

Item Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the
 Parent Holding Company

See Item 2 above

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

Not Applicable

Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not Applicable

Item 10 Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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

Dated this 3rd day of February, 2015.

CITADEL ADVISORS LLC CITADEL ADVISORS HOLDINGS III LP

By:/s/ Mark Polemeni By:/s/ Mark Polemeni

Mark Polemeni, Authorized Signatory Mark Polemeni, Authorized Signatory

CITADEL GP LLC KENNETH GRIFFIN

By:/s/ Mark Polemeni By:/s/ Mark Polemeni

Mark Polemeni, Authorized Signatory Mark Polemeni, attorney-in-fact*

Mark Polemeni is signing on behalf of Kenneth Griffin as attorney-in-fact pursuant to a power of attorney previously *filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 18, 2013, and hereby incorporated by reference *herein. The power of attorney was filed as an attachment to a filing by Citadel Advisors LLC on Schedule 13G for TiVo Inc.