

ROWAN COMPANIES INC  
Form PX14A6G  
March 28, 2005

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**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.
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