ROWAN COMPANIES PLC Form 8-K June 25, 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): June 25, 2012

ROWAN COMPANIES plc

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

England and Wales1-549198-1023315(State or other jurisdiction(Commission file Number)(IRS Employerof incorporation)Identification No.)

2800 POST OAK BOULEVARDSUITE 5450HOUSTON, TEXAS77056(Address of principal executive offices)(zip code)

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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