

NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RETTIG DWIGHT W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC [NOV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
7909 PARKWOOD CIRCLE DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/20/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Vice Pres. & Gen. Counsel

HOUSTON, TX 77036

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code V	Amount		
Common Stock	02/20/2009		A	16,000	A \$ 0	45,767	D

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.96	02/20/2009		Code V (A) (D) A 32,000		Date Exercisable Expiration Date 02/20/2010 ⁽¹⁾ 02/21/2019	Title Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
RETTIG DWIGHT W 7909 PARKWOOD CIRCLE DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77036	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Director 10% Owner Officer Other </div> Vice Pres. & Gen. Counsel

Signatures

By: Raymond W. Chang For: Dwight W. Rettig
 Date: 02/23/2009

**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) Options vest in three (3) equal annual installments commencing on the date indicated.

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