

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 \*  
 BLANCHARD ROBERT 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)  
 05/09/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP Cntrlr Chf Acctg Offer

HOUSTON, TX 77036

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

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

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/09/2008		M	3,790 A \$ 18.17	38,506	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		M	40,000 A \$ 33.29	78,506	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		M	10,000 A \$ 35.225	88,506	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S	53,790 D \$ 77	34,716	D	
Common Stock					284	I	by 401(K) Plan

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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 (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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.29	05/09/2008		M	40,000	02/21/2007 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/22/2016	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.225	05/09/2008		M	10,000	03/01/2008 <sup>(1)</sup> 03/02/2017	Common Stock
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.17	05/09/2008		M	3,790	01/26/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> 01/26/2015	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLANCHARD ROBERT W 7909 PARKWOOD CIRCLE DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77036			VP Cntrlr Chf Acctg Offcr	

## Signatures

By: Raymond W. Chang For: Robert W. Blanchard  
Date: 05/12/2008

\*\*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.
- (2) This option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date shown.

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