FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMISEK JEFFREY A				<u>N</u> A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC NOV									heck all ap	ctor	g Persor	10% O	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 10000 RICHMOND AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/11/2005										Officer (give title below)		Other (spo	
(Street) HOUSTO			77042 Zip)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2005								ne) X Forr Forr	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable rm filed by One Reporting Person rm filed by More than One Reporting rson				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa: Date (Month/D:					Execution Date,		Transaction Disposed Of (I Code (Instr. 5)		ies Acquired (A) Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			nd Secur Benef Owne	icially d Following	6. Owner Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr	Direct ndirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Trans	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 03/2				03/11	/2005		A		5,901 A		\$(5,901		Γ)				
	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	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) oi Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	rative rities ired r osed)	Expiratio	5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Insti	m: ect (D) ndirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Explanation of Responses:

By: Raymond W. Chang For: Jeffery A. Smisek

01/13/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Dwight W. Rettig and Raymond W. Chang, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1)execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (the Company), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in Accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact. This Power of Attorney supersedes all previous Powers of Attorney relating to the subject matter hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 16th day of November, 2005.

/s/ Jeffery A. Smisek Signature