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NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO ANNOUNCES THIRD QUARTER 2013 RESULTS

HOUSTON, TX, October 25, 2013 — National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (NYSE: NOV) today reported that for the third quarter ended September 30, 2013 it earned net income of \$636 million, or \$1.49 per fully diluted share, compared to second quarter ended June 30, 2013 net income of \$531 million, or \$1.24 per fully diluted share. Excluding \$10 million in pre-tax transaction charges and \$102 million in pre-tax gains resulting from the settlement of an outstanding legal claim, third quarter 2013 net income was \$573 million, or \$1.34 per fully diluted share.

The Company's revenues for the third quarter of 2013 were \$5.69 billion, an increase of two percent from the second quarter of 2013 and an increase of seven percent from the third quarter of 2012. Operating profit for the third quarter of 2013 was \$853 million or 15.0 percent of sales, excluding transaction charges and the settlement of an outstanding legal claim. Sequentially, third quarter operating profit increased three percent, resulting in operating profit flow-through (change in operating profit divided by the change in revenue) of 31 percent, excluding transaction charges and the settlement of an outstanding legal claim.

Backlog for capital equipment orders for the Company's Rig Technology segment was at a record level of \$15.15 billion as of September 30, 2013, up nine percent from the end of the second quarter of 2013 and up 30 percent from the end of the third quarter of 2012. New orders during the quarter were \$3.31 billion, reflecting continued strong demand for oilfield equipment.

Pete Miller, Chairman and CEO of National Oilwell Varco, remarked, "Outstanding execution enabled the Company to achieve solid results again this quarter. All three segments posted higher sequential revenues and margins, and collectively reduced the Company's working capital requirements, which ultimately led to a quarterly record of \$1 billion in cash flow from operations. We also added significant new bookings to our capital equipment backlog for the Rig Technology segment during the third quarter, as the industry's demand for our suite of technologies remains strong.

We are excited about our recently announced plans to spin-off the Company's distribution business from the remainder of the Company, creating two stand-alone, publicly traded corporations. We believe that the contemplated spin-off is very consistent with NOV's strategy and commitment to continue to grow the Company and create significant shareholder value. As separate companies, the distribution business and the remainder of NOV will each be better positioned and have the enhanced operational flexibility to focus on their specific products, services and customers."

Rig Technology

Third quarter revenues for the Rig Technology segment were \$2.84 billion, up slightly sequentially and an increase of 12 percent from the third quarter of 2012. Operating profit for this segment

was \$606 million, or 21.3 percent of sales. Revenue out of backlog for the segment was flat sequentially and increased 10 percent year-over-year to \$2.11 billion for the third quarter of 2013.

Petroleum Services & Supplies

Revenues for the third quarter of 2013 for the Petroleum Services & Supplies segment were \$1.81 billion, up three percent compared to second quarter results and up five percent from the third quarter of 2012. Operating profit was \$324 million, or 17.9 percent of revenue, up seven percent from the second quarter of 2013. Operating profit flow-through was 33 percent from the second quarter of 2013 to the third quarter of 2013.

Distribution & Transmission

The Distribution & Transmission segment generated third quarter revenues of \$1.34 billion, which were up four percent from the second quarter of 2013 and up two percent from the third quarter of 2012. Third quarter operating profit was \$78 million or 5.8 percent of sales. Operating profit flow-through was 15 percent sequentially.

The Company has scheduled a conference call for October 25, 2013, at 8:00 a.m. Central Time to discuss third quarter results. The call will be broadcast through the Investor Relations link on National Oilwell Varco's web site at www.nov.com, and a replay will be available on the site for thirty days following the conference. Participants may also join the conference call by dialing 1-800-447-0521 within North America or 1-847-413-3238 outside of North America five to ten minutes prior to the scheduled start time and asking for the "National Oilwell Varco Earnings Conference Call."

National Oilwell Varco is a worldwide leader in the design, manufacture and sale of equipment and components used in oil and gas drilling and production operations, the provision of oilfield services, and supply chain integration services to the upstream oil and gas industry.

Statements made in this press release that are forward-looking in nature are intended to be "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and may involve risks and uncertainties. These statements may differ materially from actual future events or results. Readers are referred to documents filed by National Oilwell Varco with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Annual Report on Form 10-K, which identify significant risk factors which could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements.

NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In millions, except share data)

	Sept	tember 30, 2013	December 31, 2012		
	(Uı	naudited)			
ASSETS					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,741	\$	3,319	
Receivables, net		4,801		4,320	
Inventories, net		6,078		5,891	
Costs in excess of billings		1,640		1,225	
Deferred income taxes		370		349	
Prepaid and other current assets		625		574	
Total current assets		16,255		15,678	
Property, plant and equipment, net		3,333		2,945	
Deferred income taxes		372		413	
Goodwill		9,036		7,172	
Intangibles, net		5,180		4,743	
Investment in unconsolidated affiliates		373		393	
Other assets		124		140	
	\$	34,673	\$	31,484	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	1,312	\$	1,200	
Accrued liabilities		2,857		2,571	
Billings in excess of costs		1,553		1,189	
Current portion of long-term debt and short-term borrowings		-		1	
Accrued income taxes		260		355	
Deferred income taxes		335		333	
Total current liabilities		6,317		5,649	
Long-term debt		3,749		3,148	
Deferred income taxes		2,443		1,997	
Other liabilities		439		334	
Total liabilities		12,948		11,128	
Commitments and contingencies					
Stockholders' equity:					
Common stock – par value \$.01; 1 billion shares authorized; 427,719,063 and 426,928,322					
shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2013 and December 31, 2012		4		4	
Additional paid-in capital		8,846		8,743	
Accumulated other comprehensive income		1		107	
Retained earnings		12,776		11,385	
Total Company stockholders' equity		21,627		20,239	
Noncontrolling interests		98		117	
Total stockholders' equity		21,725		20,356	
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NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited) (In millions, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended						Nine Months Ended			
	September 30,				June 30,		September 30,			
	2013		2012		2013		2013			2012
Revenue:										
Rig Technology	\$	2,843	\$	2,547	\$	2,833	\$	8,304	\$	7,211
Petroleum Services & Supplies	Ψ	1,809	Ψ	1,717	Ψ	1,749	Ψ	5,259	Ψ	5,197
Distribution & Transmission		1,342		1,315		1,295		3,864		2,659
Eliminations		(307)		(260)		(276)		(832)		(711)
Total revenue		5,687		5,319		5,601		16,595		14,356
Gross profit		1,355		1,411		1,320		3,962		4,003
Gross profit %		23.8%		26.5%		23.6%		23.9%		27.9%
Selling, general, and administrative		502		465		494		1,467		1,269
Other costs		(92)		57		57		38		92
Operating profit		945		889		769		2,457		2,642
Interest and financial costs		(26)		(10)		(30)		(84)		(27)
Interest income		2		2		3		8		8
Equity income in unconsolidated affiliates		13		7		15		47		43
Other income (expense), net		(15)		(14)		13		(15)		(32)
Income before income taxes		919		874		770		2,413		2,634
Provision for income taxes		283		265		239		746		819
Net income		636		609		531		1,667		1,815
Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests				(3)				(2)		(8)
Net income attributable to Company	\$	636	\$	612	\$	531	\$	1,669	\$	1,823
Net income attributable to Company per share:										
Basic	\$	1.49	\$	1.44	\$	1.25	\$	3.92	\$	4.29
Diluted	\$	1.49	\$	1.43	\$	1.24	\$	3.90	\$	4.28
Weighted average shares outstanding:										
Basic		426		425		426		426		425
Diluted		428		427		428		428		426

NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO, INC. OPERATING PROFIT – AS ADJUSTED SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE (Unaudited) (In millions)

		T	hree M	Nine Months Ended							
		Septem				June 30,		September 30,			
		2013		2012	2013		2013		2012		
Revenue:											
Rig Technology	\$	2,843	\$	2,547	\$	2,833	\$	8,304	\$	7,211	
Petroleum Services & Supplies		1,809		1,717		1,749		5,259		5,197	
Distribution & Transmission		1,342		1,315		1,295		3,864		2,659	
Eliminations		(307)		(260)		(276)		(832)		(711)	
Total revenue	\$	5,687	\$	5,319	\$	5,601	\$	16,595	\$	14,356	
Operating profit:											
Rig Technology	\$	606	\$	610	\$	587	\$	1,750	\$	1,732	
Petroleum Services & Supplies		324		383		304		939		1,164	
Distribution & Transmission		78		78		71		214		175	
Unallocated expenses and eliminations		(155)		(125)		(136)		(408)		(337)	
Total operating profit (before other costs)	\$	853	\$	946	\$	826	\$	2,495	\$	2,734	
Operating profit %:											
Rig Technology		21.3%		23.9%		20.7%		21.1%		24.0%	
Petroleum Services & Supplies		17.9%		22.3%		17.4%		17.9%		22.4%	
Distribution & Transmission		5.8%		5.9%		5.5%		5.5%		6.6%	
Other unallocated											
Total operating profit % (before other costs)		15.0%		17.8%		14.7%		15.0%		19.0%	

NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO, INC. AS ADJUSTED EBITDA RECONCILIATION EXCLUDING OTHER COSTS (Unaudited) (In millions)

	Three Months Ended							Nine Months Ended				
		Septem			Jı	une 30,	September 30,					
		2013		2012		2013		2013	2012			
Reconciliation of EBITDA excluding other costs (Note 1):												
GAAP net income attributable to Company	\$	636	\$	612	\$	531	\$	1,669	\$	1,823		
Provision for income taxes		283		265		239		746		819		
Interest expense		26		10		30		84		27		
Depreciation and amortization		191		157		190		555		462		
EBITDA		1,136		1,044		990		3,054		3,131		
Other costs:												
Transaction costs		10		57		57		132		92		
Litigation gain		(102)		-		-		(102)		-		
Devaluation costs								8		_		
EBITDA excluding other costs (Note 1)	\$	1,044	\$	1,101	\$	1,047	\$	3,092	\$	3,223		

Note 1: EBITDA means earnings before taxes, interest, depreciation, amortization, and other costs, and is a non-GAAP measurement. Management uses EBITDA because it believes it provides useful supplemental information regarding the Company's on-going economic performance and, therefore, uses this financial measure internally to evaluate and manage the Company's operations. The Company has chosen to provide this information to investors to enable them to perform more meaningful comparisons of operating results and as a means to emphasize the results of on-going operations.

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