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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**  
Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d)  
of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 13, 2014

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**NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-12317**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**76-0475815**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**7909 Parkwood Circle Dr.**  
**Houston, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**77036**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 713-346-7500**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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## **Item 8.01 Other Events**

On May 13, 2014, National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (“NOV”) issued a press release announcing that the registration statement on Form 10 filed by NOW Inc. (“NOW”) with the Securities and Exchange Commission has been declared effective. NOW has also received authorization to list on the New York Stock Exchange. NOW will trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DNOW.

As previously disclosed, the distribution of NOW shares is expected to be made after the closing of the market on May 30, 2014 (the “Distribution Date”) to NOV stockholders of record as of the close of business on May 22, 2014 (the “Record Date”). On the Distribution Date, each NOV stockholder as of the Record Date will receive one share of NOW common stock for every four shares of NOV common stock held at the close of business on the Record Date. Fractional shares of NOW common stock will not be distributed. Any fractional shares of NOW common stock otherwise issuable to NOV stockholders will be aggregated into whole shares and sold in the open market, and such NOV stockholders will receive a ratable share of the proceeds of such sale, after deducting any taxes required to be withheld and after deducting an amount equal to all brokerage charges, commissions and transfer taxes attributed to such sale. The distribution is subject to the satisfaction of the conditions to the separation and distribution described in NOW’s Registration Statement on Form 10, as filed with the SEC. Following the spin-off, NOW will be an independent, publicly traded company, and NOV will retain no ownership interest in NOW.

A copy of the press release announcing NOW Inc.’s registration statement being declared effective is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

## **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

### *(d) Exhibits*

The following exhibit is provided as part of the information furnished under Item 8.01 of this Current Report:

99.1 National Oilwell Varco, Inc. press release dated May 13, 2014 announcing NOW Inc.’s registration statement being declared effective.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 13, 2014

NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO, INC.

/s/ Brigitte Hunt

Brigitte Hunt

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Vice President

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**Index to Exhibits**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**NOW INC. REGISTRATION STATEMENT DECLARED EFFECTIVE AND LISTING ON NYSE APPROVED**

HOUSTON, May 13, 2014 —National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (NYSE: NOV) announced today that the Securities and Exchange Commission has declared effective NOW Inc.'s ("NOW") registration statement on Form 10 filed in connection with the spin-off of NOV's distribution business. NOV also announced that NOW has been authorized to list on the New York Stock Exchange. NOW common stock will trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DNOW.

The spin-off will be completed by way of a pro rata distribution of NOW common stock to holders of NOV common stock. As previously disclosed, this distribution is expected to occur after market close on May 30, 2014 (the "Distribution Date") to NOV stockholders of record as of the close of business on May 22, 2014 (the "Record Date"). On the Distribution Date, each NOV stockholder as of the Record Date will receive one share of NOW common stock for every four shares of NOV common stock held at the close of business on the Record Date. Fractional shares of NOW common stock will not be distributed and any fractional share of NOW common stock otherwise issuable to a NOV stockholder will be sold in the open market on such stockholder's behalf, and such stockholder will receive a cash payment with respect to that fractional share.

*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 the 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.*