FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940					
1. Name and Add		Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC NOV]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) 10000 RICHMOND AVEN		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2005	Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
(Street) HOUSTON (City)	TX (State)	77042 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Table I - Non-D	erivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Bene	eficially Owned				

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(instr. 4)			
Common Stock	09/01/2005		M		3,345	A	\$25.12	9,623	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		M		3,345	A	\$30.65	12,968	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		M		3,345	A	\$16	16,313	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		M		3,345	A	\$25.49	19,658	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		M		3,345	A	\$28.64	23,003	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		M		2,508	A	\$23.48	25,511	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		M		1,672	A	\$25.12	27,183	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		300	D	\$65.4	26,883	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		100	D	\$65.43	26,783	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		1,600	D	\$65.44	25,183	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		1,700	D	\$65.45	23,483	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		3,200	D	\$65.46	20,283	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		5,300	D	\$65.47	14,983	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		700	D	\$65.48	14,283	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		2,500	D	\$65.52	11,783	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		3,500	D	\$65.53	8,283	D				
Common Stock	09/01/2005		S		2,005	D	\$65.54	6,278	D				

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)	Execution Date,		5. Number of Code (Instr. 3) 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 Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$16	09/01/2005		M			3,345	03/11/2005	05/13/2009	Common Stock	3,345	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$23.48	09/01/2005		M			2,508	05/16/2005	05/16/2012	Common Stock	2,508	\$0	837	D	

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Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25.12	09/01/2005		М			3,345	03/11/2005	02/19/2008	Common Stock	3,345	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25.12	09/01/2005		М			1,672	05/15/2005	05/15/2013	Common Stock	1,672	\$0	1,673	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25.49	09/01/2005		М			3,345	03/11/2005	05/30/2010	Common Stock	3,345	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$28.64	09/01/2005		М			3,345	03/11/2005	05/17/2011	Common Stock	3,345	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$30.65	09/01/2005		M			3,345	03/11/2005	05/08/2008	Common Stock	3,345	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

By: M. Gay Mather For: Jeffrey A. Smisek

09/02/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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