FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MATTSON ERIC L							2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC [ NOV									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
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(Last)							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2008									Officer (give title Other (spec below) below)				pecify	
7505 IA.	KKWOOD	CIRCLE DRIV	00,	33,1,1,2000																	
(Street)							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
HOUSTON TX 77036															X	X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(Si	tate)	(Zip)													Person		e tnan	One Repor	ting	
		Tab	le I - Noi	n-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curitie	s A	cqu	Jired, C	isp	osed o	f, or Be	nefic	ially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D						Execution Date,			e, Transaction D Code (Instr. 5)			4. Securi Disposed 5)	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				es Fo ally (D Following (I)		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
										Code	<b>/</b>	Amount	nt (A) or (D)		ce	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 05/14							2008			A		1,251	51 A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	19,957			D		
		-	Гable II -						•	,	•	,	or Ben		•	Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)				Exp	6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)			3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	te ercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	oer						
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to	\$73.98	05/14/2008			A		4,000		05/	/14/2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	0	5/15/2018	Common Stock	4,00	00	\$0	4,000	)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Options vest in three (3) equal annual installments commencing on the date indicated.

By: Raymond W. Chang For: Eric L. Mattson

05/15/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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