

BLANCHARD ROBERT W  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BLANCHARD ROBERT W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC [NOV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
7909 PARKWOOD CIRCLE  
DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/22/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP Cntrlr Chf Acctg Offer

HOUSTON, TX 77036

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/22/2012		M			20,000	A	\$ 64.16	67,911	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2012		M			10,667	A	\$ 25.96	78,578	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2012		M			11,295	A	\$ 44.07	89,873	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2012		S			41,962	D	\$ 86.9006	47,911	D	

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

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**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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.96	02/22/2012		M	10,667	02/20/2010 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/21/2019	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.07	02/22/2012		M	11,295	02/16/2011 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/17/2020	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 64.16	02/22/2012		M	20,000	02/19/2009 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/20/2018	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLANCHARD ROBERT W 7909 PARKWOOD CIRCLE DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77036			VP Cntrlr Chf Acctg Offcr	

## Signatures

By: Raymond W. Chang For: Robert W. Blanchard  
Date: 02/23/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

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

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