

MILLER MERRILL A JR
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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 *
 MILLER MERRILL A JR

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/14/2010

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President and CEO

(Street)
 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
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 12/14/2010 | | M | | \$ 33.29 | 716,431 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/14/2010 | | M | | \$ 35.225 | 816,431 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/14/2010 | | S | | \$ 63.994 | 583,097 | 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) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 33.29 | 12/14/2010 | | M | 133,334 | 02/21/2007 ⁽¹⁾ | 02/22/2016 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 35.225 | 12/14/2010 | | M | 100,000 | 03/01/2008 ⁽¹⁾ | 03/02/2017 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MILLER MERRILL A JR 7909 PARKWOOD CIRCLE DRIVE HOUSTON, TX 77036 | X | | President and CEO | |

Signatures

By: Raymond W. Chang For: Merrill A. Miller, Jr. 12/14/2010

__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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