

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)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/15/2005

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	03/15/2005		M		44,321 A \$ 22.5625	200,259	D
Common Stock	03/15/2005		M		49,382 A \$ 40.5	249,641	D
Common Stock	03/15/2005		S		7,302 D \$ 50.2	242,339	D
Common Stock	03/15/2005		S		79,500 D \$ 50	162,839	D
Common Stock						1,500	I In Trust for Minor

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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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5625	03/15/2005		M	44,321	02/22/2003 02/23/2010	Common Stock	44
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.5	03/15/2005		M	49,382	02/14/2004 02/15/2011	Common Stock	49

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MILLER MERRILL A JR	X		President and CEO	

Signatures

By: M. Gay Mather For: Merrill A. Miller, Jr. 03/17/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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