NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person BEAUCHAMP ROBERT E	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
	NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC [NOV]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify		
2101 CITYWEST BLVD	03/21/2005	below) below)		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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		Tabr	c I - Moli-D	ciivative	Secui	ines Acq	ics Acquired, Disposed of, of Deficiletary Owned			
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi on(A) or D			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership	
					(A) or		Following Reported Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	03/21/2005		M	3,333	A	\$ 18.22	4,333	D		
Common Stock	03/21/2005		M	2,500	A	\$ 28.22	6,833	D		
Common Stock	03/21/2005		S	5,583	D	\$ 49.04	1,250	D		

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

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 18.22	03/21/2005		M	3,333	08/14/2004	08/15/2012	Common Stock	3,3
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 28.22	03/21/2005		M	2,500	03/11/2005	03/12/2014	Common Stock	2,5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BEAUCHAMP ROBERT E 2101 CITYWEST BLVD HOUSTON, TX 77042-2827	X						

Signatures

M. Gay Mather for Robert E.
Beauchamp 03/23/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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