NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC Form 8-K December 29, 2015

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d)

of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

December 29, 2015 (December 28, 2015)

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

1-12317 (Commission **76-0475815** (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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7909 Parkwood Circle Dr.

Houston, Texas 77036 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 713-346-7500

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On December 28, 2015, National Oilwell Varco Norway AS (NOV Norway), a wholly-owned subsidiary of National Oilwell Varco, Inc. (the Company), consummated a settlement with Estaleiro Atlantico Sul S.A. and EAS International, Inc. concerning seven (7) contracts for the supply of drilling equipment packages for drillship construction projects in Brazil (collectively the Supply Contracts).

Pursuant to the terms of the settlement, the Supply Contracts have been terminated. The Company does not expect to take any charge as a result of the settlement; however the Company will reduce the Rig Systems segment backlog by \$1.1 billion this quarter.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 29, 2015 NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO, INC.

/s/ Brigitte M. Hunt Brigitte M. Hunt Vice President