

THIGPEN JEREMY D  
Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol |  |
| Â THIGPEN JEREMY D                        |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | NATIONAL OILWELL VARCO INC [NOV]                   |  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)                             | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer   | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
|   |         | 12/06/2012                           |  |  |
| 7909 PARKWOOD CIRCLE DRIVE                |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)                             |  |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner                                     |
|   |         |                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer        | <input type="checkbox"/> Other   |
| HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77036                       |         |                                      | (give title below)                                 | (specify below)  |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                | Senior Vice President & CFO                        | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
|   |         |                                      |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
|   |         |                                      |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 28,100  | D  | Â   |
| Common Stock                    | 6,538   | I  | by 401(k) Plan  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
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|   | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares | Derivative Security | Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |   |
|---|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------|---|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (1)            | 02/17/2020      | Common Stock | 11,295                     | \$ 44.07            | D   | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (2)            | 02/23/2021      | Common Stock | 16,200                     | \$ 79.8             | D   | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (3)            | 02/22/2022      | Common Stock | 29,000                     | \$ 84.58            | D   | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| THIGPEN JEREMY D<br>7909 PARKWOOD CIRCLE DRIVE<br>HOUSTON, TX 77036 | Â             | Â         | Â Senior Vice President & CFO | Â     |

## Signatures

Raymond W. Chang for Jeremy D. Thigpen  
Date: 12/11/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The option is exercisable in three equal annual installments. The first installment became exercisable on February 16, 2011 and the second installment became exercisable on February 16, 2012. The last installment becomes exercisable on February 16, 2013.
- (2) The option is exercisable in three equal annual installments. The first installment became exercisable on February 22, 2012, and the next two installments become exercisable on February 22, 2013 and February 22, 2014.
- (3) The option is exercisable in three equal annual installments. The first installment becomes exercisable on February 21, 2013, and the next two installments become exercisable on February 21, 2014 and February 21, 2015.

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