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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF
CORPORATION FINANCE

Mail Stop 4628

October 13, 2017

Via E-Mail

Jose A. Bayardo
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
National Oilwell Varco, Inc.
7909 Parkwood Circle Dr.
Houston, TX 77036

Re: National Oilwell Varco, Inc.
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2016
Filed February 17, 2017
File No. 1-12317

Dear Mr. Bayardo:

We refer you to our comment letter dated September 22, 2017 regarding potential business contacts with Syria. We have completed our review of this subject matter. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Cecilia Blye

Cecilia Blye, Chief
Office of Global Security Risk

cc: Roger Schwall
Assistant Director