# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **SCHEDULE 13G**

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1(b),(c) AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO 13d-2 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934\*

(Amendment No. 1)

# <u>Valvoline Inc.</u>

(Name of Issuer)

Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

92047W101 (CUSIP Number)

<u>December 31, 2023</u> (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

⊠ Rule 13d-1(c)

□ Rule 13d-1(d)

\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, *see* the *Notes*).

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1	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  Viking Global Investors LP					
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*  (a)□  (b)⊠					
3	SEC USI	E ONLY				
4	CITIZE!  Delaware		OR PLACE OF ORGA	ANIZATION		
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10	CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)*					
11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 2.4%*					
12	TYPE O	F REPO	RTING PERSON (SI	CE INSTRUCTIONS)		

<sup>\*</sup>See Item 4

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11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 1.8%*					
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1	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  Viking Global Equities II LP					
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11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  0.04%*					
12	TYPE O	F REPO	RTING PERSON (SI	CE INSTRUCTIONS)*		

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	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS					
1	Viking Global Equities Master Ltd.					
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12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)*						

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1	NAMES David C.		ORTING PERSONS			
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1	NAMES Rose S. S		ORTING PERSONS			
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<u>Item 1(a)</u> .	Name of Iss	suer:		
	Valv	oline Inc.		
<u>Item 1(b)</u> .	Address of	Issuer's Principal Executive O	ffices:	
		Valvoline Way, Suite 100 ngton, Kentucky 40509		
<u>Item 2(a)</u> .	Name of Pe	erson Filing:		
	Vikii Vikii Vikii Vikii Vikii	ng Global Investors LP ("VGI" ng Global Performance LLC (' ng Global Equities II LP ("VG ng Global Equities Master Ltd. ng Long Fund GP LLC ("VLF ng Long Fund Master Ltd. ("V ndreas Halvorsen, David C. O	VGP"), EII"), ("VGEM"), GP"),	sons")
Items 2(b)	. Address of	Principal Business Office or, i	f none, Residence:	
	The	business address of each of the	e Reporting Persons is: 600 Washington Boulevard, Flo	oor 11, Stamford, Connecticut 06901.
Items 2(c)	. <u>Citizenship</u>	:		
Cayman Is			nited partnerships; VGP and VLFGP are Delaware li alvorsen is a citizen of Norway; and David C. Ott and I	
<u>Item 2(d)</u> .	Titles of Cl	asses of Securities:		
	Com	mon stock, par value \$0.01 pe	r share ("Common Stock")	
<u>Item 2(e)</u> .	CUSIP NU	MBER: 92047W101		
Item 3.	If This State	ement is Filed Pursuant to Rule	e 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), Check Whether the Person	on Filing is a:
	(a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f)  (g) (h) (i)  (j)	□ Bank as defined in Sectio □ Insurance company as defined in Sectio □ Investment company regis □ Investment Adviser regist □ Employee Benefit Plan, Por Endowment Fund; see Ru □ Parent holding company, □ Savings Association as defined in Section (1940) □ Non-U.S. institution in acc 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please	d under Section 15 of the Exchange Act in 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act fined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act stered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act ered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act ension Fund which is subject to the provisions of the Ende 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F) in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G). Efined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance ded from the definition of an investment company under coordance with Rule 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J). If filling as a see specify the type of institution:  the Rule 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).	t of 1940: see Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E) Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974  Act. er Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act

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## Item 4. Ownership

The percentages set forth herein are based on 129,987,088 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of December 1, 2023, as reported by the Issuer in its proxy statement on Schedule 14A, filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on December 15, 2023.

#### A. VGI

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,176,309
- (b) Percent of Class: 2.4%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 3,176,309
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 3,176,309

VGI provides managerial services to VGEII, VGEM and VLFM. VGI has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by VGEII, VGEM and VLFM. VGI does not directly own any shares of Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Act, VGI may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock directly held by VGEII, VGEM and VLFM.

### B. VGP

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 2,382,828
- (b) Percent of Class: 1.8%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 2,382,828
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 2,382,828

VGP, as the general partner of VGEII, has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by VGEII. VGP serves as investment manager to VGEM and has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by VGEM. VGP does not directly own any shares of Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Act, VGP may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock directly held by VGEII and VGEM.

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#### C. VGEII

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 47,660
- (b) Percent of Class: 0.04%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 47,660
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 47,660

VGEII has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by it, which power may be exercised by its general partner, VGP, and by VGI, an affiliate of VGP, which provides managerial services to VGEII.

### D. VGEM

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 2,335,168
- (b) Percent of Class: 1.8%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 2,335,168
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 2,335,168

VGEM has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by it, which power may be exercised by its investment manager, VGP, and by VGI, an affiliate of VGP, which provides managerial services to VGEM. Viking Global Equities LP (a Delaware limited partnership) and Viking Global Equities III Ltd. (a Cayman Islands exempted company), through its investment in VGE III Portfolio Ltd. (a Cayman Islands exempted company), invest substantially all of their assets through VGEM.

# E. VLFGP

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 793,481
- (b) Percent of Class: 0.6%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0

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- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 793,481
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 793,481

VLFGP serves as the investment manager of VLFM and has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by VLFM. VLFGP does not directly own any shares of Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Act, VLFGP may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock directly held by VLFM.

#### F. VLFM

(a) Amount beneficially owned: 793,481

(b) Percent of Class: 0.6%

- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 793,481
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 793,481

VLFM has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by it, which power may be exercised by its investment manager, VLFGP, and by VGI, an affiliate of VLFGP, which provides managerial services to VLFM. Viking Long Fund LP (a Delaware limited partnership) and Viking Long Fund III Ltd. (a Cayman Islands exempted company), through its investment in Viking Long Fund Intermediate L.P. (a Cayman Islands limited partnership), invest substantially all of their assets through VLFM.

- G. O. Andreas Halvorsen, David C. Ott and Rose S. Shabet
  - (a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,176,309
  - (b) Percent of Class: 2.4%
  - (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
    - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
    - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 3,176,309
    - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
    - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 3,176,309

Mr. Halvorsen, Mr. Ott and Ms. Shabet, as Executive Committee Members of Viking Global Partners LLC (general partner of VGI), VGP and VLFGP, have shared authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by VGI, VGP and VLFGP. None of Mr. Halvorsen, Mr. Ott and Ms. Shabet directly owns any shares of Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Act, each may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock directly held by VGEII, VGEM and VLFM.

Mr. Halvorsen, Mr. Ott and Ms. Shabet each beneficially own 3,176,309 shares of Common Stock consisting of (i) 47,660 shares of Common Stock directly and beneficially owned by VGEII, (ii) 2,335,168 shares of Common Stock directly and beneficially owned by VGEM and (iii) 793,481 shares of Common Stock directly and beneficially owned by VLFM.

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# Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the Reporting Persons have ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following  $\boxtimes$ .

# Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

The response to Item 4 is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company.

Not applicable.

<u>Item 8</u>. <u>Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.</u>

Not applicable.

<u>Item 9</u>. <u>Notice of Dissolution of Group.</u>

Not applicable.

### Item 10. Certification. (if filing pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c))

By signing below each Reporting Person certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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# **SIGNATURES**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 14, 2024

By: /s/ Scott M. Hendler

Name: Scott M. Hendler on behalf of O. Andreas Halvorsen (1)

By: /s/ Scott M. Hendler

Name: Scott M. Hendler on behalf of David C. Ott (2)

By: /s/ Scott M. Hendler

Name: Scott M. Hendler on behalf of Rose S. Shabet (3)

- (1) Scott M. Hendler is signing on behalf of O. Andreas Halvorsen, individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PARTNERS LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., pursuant to an authorization and designation letter dated February 9, 2021, which was previously filed with the Commission as an exhibit to a Form 13G filed by Mr. Halvorsen on February 12, 2021 (SEC File No. 005-49737).
- (2) Scott M. Hendler is signing on behalf of David C. Ott, individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PARTNERS LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., pursuant to an authorization and designation letter dated February 9, 2021, which was previously filed with the Commission as an exhibit to a Form 13G filed by Mr. Ott on February 12, 2021 (SEC File No. 005-49737).
- (3) Scott M. Hendler is signing on behalf of Rose S. Shabet, individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PARTNERS LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., pursuant to an authorization and designation letter dated February 9, 2021, which was previously filed with the Commission as an exhibit to a Form 13G filed by Ms. Shabet on February 12, 2021 (SEC File No. 005-49737).

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### **EXHIBIT A - JOINT FILING AGREEMENT**

This joint filing agreement is made and entered into as of this 14th day of February, 2024, by and among VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP, VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES MASTER LTD., VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., O. Andreas Halvorsen, David C. Ott and Rose S. Shabet.

The parties to this Agreement hereby agree to prepare jointly and file timely (and otherwise to deliver as appropriate) all filings on any Forms 3, 4, or 5 or Schedules 13D or 13G, and any and all amendments thereto and any other documents relating thereto (collectively, the "Filings") as required to be filed pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The parties to this Agreement further agree and covenant that each will fully cooperate with such other parties in the preparation, timely filing, and delivery of all such Filings.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the date first set forth above.

Dated: February 14, 2024

By: /s/ Scott M. Hendler

Name: Scott M. Hendler on behalf of O. Andreas Halvorsen (1)

By: /s/ Scott M. Hendler

Name: Scott M. Hendler on behalf of David C. Ott (2)

By: /s/ Scott M. Hendler

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- (1) Scott M. Hendler is signing on behalf of O. Andreas Halvorsen, individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PARTNERS LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., pursuant to an authorization and designation letter dated February 9, 2021, which was previously filed with the Commission as an exhibit to a Form 13G filed by Mr. Halvorsen on February 12, 2021 (SEC File No. 005-49737).
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- (3) Scott M. Hendler is signing on behalf of Rose S. Shabet, individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PARTNERS LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., pursuant to an authorization and designation letter dated February 9, 2021, which was previously filed with the Commission as an exhibit to a Form 13G filed by Ms. Shabet on February 12, 2021 (SEC File No. 005-49737).