

Castello Augusto V.
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Castello Augusto V.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC
[ISRG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1266 KIFER ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/20/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP Product Ops

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	04/20/2012		M		5,000	A	\$ 303.27 5,000
Common Stock	04/20/2012		S		5,000 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 575.1283 0 <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock	04/20/2012		M		5,000	A	\$ 303.27 5,000
Common Stock	04/20/2012		S		5,000 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 575.2142 0 <u>(3)</u>
	04/20/2012		M		5,000	A	\$ 303.27 5,000

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	04/20/2012	S	<u>5,000</u> (1)	D	\$ 575.2901	0	D
Common Stock	04/20/2012	M	5,000	A	\$ 303.27	5,000	D
Common Stock	04/20/2012	S	<u>5,000</u> (1)	D	\$ 575.3383	0	D
Common Stock	04/20/2012	M	6,250	A	\$ 107.27	6,250	D
Common Stock	04/20/2012	S	<u>6,250</u> (1)	D	\$ 575.1662	0	D

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

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 107.27	04/20/2012		M	6,250	(7) 02/17/2019	Common Stock	6,250
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 303.27	04/20/2012		M	5,000	(7) 02/15/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 303.27	04/20/2012		M	5,000	(7) 02/15/2018	Common Stock	5,000

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