

INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SMITH LONNIE M

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)
950 KIFER ROAD

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/27/2011

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
Chairman of the Board

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	01/27/2011		M		15,000	A	\$ 18.5	424,180	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011		S		400	D	\$ 334.81	423,780	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011		S		6	D	\$ 334.78	423,774	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011		S		300	D	\$ 334.785	423,474	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011		S		100	D	\$ 334.79	423,374	D

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Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	200	D	\$ 334.8	423,174	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	100	D	\$ 334.82	423,074	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	450	D	\$ 334.84	422,624	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	500	D	\$ 334.95	422,124	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	100	D	\$ 336.2	422,024	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	2,144	D	\$ 336.33	419,880	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	200	D	\$ 336.56	419,680	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	500	D	\$ 336.65	419,180	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	1,000	D	\$ 336.68	418,180	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	5,000	D	\$ 336.9023	413,180	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	2,000	D	\$ 337.01	411,180	D
Common Stock	01/27/2011	S	2,000	D	\$ 337.14	409,180	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 Security (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)	\$ 18.5	01/27/2011		M	15,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/13/2014	Common Stock	15,0
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH LONNIE M 950 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086			Chairman of the Board	

Signatures

/s/ Lonnie M Smith	01/28/2011
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**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
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Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(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) Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2000 Employee Stock Option Plan. Option shall vest 1/8 six months after the date of grant and 1/48th each month thereafter.

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