MELTZER MARK J

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)

(City)

(State)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MELTZER MARK J	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
	[ISRG]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify		
950 KIFER ROAD	(Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2011	below) below) SVP & General Counsel		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SUNNYVALE, CA 94086	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/26/2011		M	1,500	A	\$ 107.27	1,856	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2011		S	100	D	\$ 338.6	1,756	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2011		S	40	D	\$ 338.61	1,716	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2011		S	100	D	\$ 338.63	1,616	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2011		S	60	D	\$ 338.6	1,556	D	

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Common Stock	01/26/2011	S	418	D	\$ 338.18	1,138	D
Common Stock	01/26/2011	S	195	D	\$ 338.18	943	D
Common Stock	01/26/2011	S	205	D	\$ 338.18	738	D
Common Stock	01/26/2011	S	82	D	\$ 338.18	656	D
Common Stock	01/26/2011	S	200	D	\$ 338.18	456	D
Common Stock	01/26/2011	S	100	D	\$ 338.18	356	D

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 107.27	01/26/2011		M	1,500	<u>(1)</u>	02/17/2019	Common	1,50

Reporting Owners

(right to buy)

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting o wher runne, runness	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MELTZER MARK J							
950 KIFER ROAD			SVP & General Counsel				
SUNNYVALE, CA 94086							

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/s/ Mark Meltzer 01/27/2011

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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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