

HALVORSON ERIC H  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
HALVORSON ERIC H

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
07/28/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

950 KIFER ROAD

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 or Price		
Common Stock	07/28/2008		M		2,500 A \$ 113.06	5,071	D
Common Stock	07/28/2008		S		2,500 D \$ 313.55	2,571	D
Common Stock	07/28/2008		M		1,500 A \$ 133.31	4,071	D
Common Stock	07/28/2008		S		847 D \$ 313.55	3,224	D
Common Stock	07/28/2008		S		200 D \$ 313.92	3,024	D

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Common Stock	07/28/2008	S	69	D	\$ 313.91	2,955	D
Common Stock	07/28/2008	S	84	D	\$ 313.86	2,871	D
Common Stock	07/28/2008	S	300	D	\$ 313.68	2,571	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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 113.06	07/28/2008		M	2,500	<u>(1)</u> 05/19/2016	Common Stock	2,500	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 133.31	07/28/2008		M	1,500	<u>(1)</u> 04/30/2017	Common Stock	1,500	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HALVORSON ERIC H 950 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086	X			

## Signatures

Eric H.  
Halvorson

07/28/2008

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## 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 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option Plan. Option shall vest 100% one year after the date of grant date.

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