Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MCNAMARA JEROME J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) 950 KIF	Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2009							helow)	r (give title) VP WW Sales		Other (s below) & Mktg	pecify
(Street) SUNNYVALE CA 94086 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line	S. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriv	/ativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed	of, or Be	neficiall	v Owned				
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																	
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					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$107.27	02/17/2009			A		50,000		(1)	02/17/2019	Common Stock	50,000	\$0	50,000)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

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.

Jerome J. McNamara 02/18/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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