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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* LEVY ALAN J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC</u> [ISRG]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/21/2011								Officer below)	(give title		Other (below)	specify	
1266 KIFER ROAD																			
, (Street)					. 4. I	f Ame	ndment,	Date	of Original F	iled	(Month/D	ay/Year)	6. I Lin	,					
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		Tab	le I - Noi	n-Deriv	vative	e Se	curitie	s Ac	cquired, C	Dis	posed o	of, or Be	neficia	lly Owned	k				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Month)				action 2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea			Code (Instr. 5)				Benefici Owned	ies Fo ially (D Following (I)		orm: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
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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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Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$357.19	04/21/2011			A		2,750		(1)	0.	4/21/2021	Common Stock	2,750	\$0	2,750		D		

Explanation of Responses:

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.

<u>/s/ Alan J. Levy</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

04/21/2011

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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