FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HALVORSON ERIC H</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG]							(Ch	Relationship eck all appl X Direct	•		10% Ov			
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2005								Office below	(give title		Other (s below)	specify	
(Street) SUNNY (City)			94086 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								E) X Form Form					
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				action	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transact Code (Ins	4. Securi	ties Acquir d Of (D) (Ins	ed (A) or	5. Amou Securiti Benefic Owned	int of es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								Code	, ,	Amount	nt (A) or (D)		Transac	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)		
		T	able II - D						uired, Dis , options					Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day)	ate, Trans Code			of E		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	le and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						v	(A)		Date Exercisable	Exp Date	oiration e	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$47.09	05/20/2005	05/20/20	05	A		7,500		05/20/2006	05/2	20/2015	Common Stock	7,500	\$0.00	7,500		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 grant date.

Remarks:

/s/ Eric Halvorson

05/24/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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