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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH LONNIE M						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)					
														X Direct	or		10% Ov	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1266 KIFER ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/25/2013								Office below	r (give title)		Other (s below)	pecify	
					4 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6 1	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) SUNNYVALE CA 94086														Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											Perso	n				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,			, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ities Acquir d Of (D) (Ins		Benefic	es ially Following	Form (D) o	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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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)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date, Tran urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Cod			Transa Code (ansaction of			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number o derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	s Ily	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		xpiration vate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$483.8	04/25/2013			A		3,000		(1)	0	4/25/2023	Common Stock	3,000	\$0.0	3,000		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.

Lonnie M Smith

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

04/25/2013

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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