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# FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>DUGGAN ROBERT W</u>		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC</u> [ ISRG ]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) 950 KIFER ROAD	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/03/2008		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
(Street) SUNNYVALE CA (City) (State)	94086 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing ( Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than ( Person	ting Person	

#### 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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	11/03/2008		S		10,000	D	\$182.6	154,977	D			
Common Stock	11/03/2008		S		1,693	D	\$183	153,284	D			
Common Stock	11/03/2008		S		6,707	D	\$183.5	146,577	D			
Common Stock	11/03/2008		S		1,600	D	\$184	144,977	D			
Common Stock	11/04/2008		S		5,000	D	<b>\$196</b>	139,977	D			
Common Stock								7,825	I	by Managed Account <sup>(1</sup>		

 
 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. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and of Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of the reporting person's pecuniary interest in the shares.

### <u>Robert W. Duggan</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

11/04/2008

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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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