INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC

Form 4

August 10, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HALVORSON ERIC H

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Last)

950 KIFER ROAD

(Street)

(City)

(First)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) 08/08/2006

Symbol

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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Table I. Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Reposicially Ou

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/08/2006		M	2,500	A	\$ 15.72	5,071	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2006		M	2,500	A	\$ 16.51	7,571	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2006		S	5,000	D	\$ 98.08	2,571	D	

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

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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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Cransaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. I Der Sec (Ins
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 15.72	08/08/2006	M	2,500		<u>(1)</u>	06/30/2013	Common Stock	2,500	\$
Stock Option	\$ 16.51	08/08/2006	M	2,500		<u>(1)</u>	05/21/2014	Common Stock	2,500	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HALVORSON ERIC H 950 KIFER ROAD X SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

Signatures

/s/Eric H. 08/10/2006 Halvorson

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Fully exercisable

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