

INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RUNKEL JOHN F JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
950 KIFER ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/05/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Former VP(SR)-General Counsel

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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		
Common Stock	03/05/2008		M		499 A \$ 115.8 902	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2008		S		499 D \$ 286.05 403	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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 115.8	03/05/2008		M	499	⁽¹⁾ 01/04/2016	Common Stock 499

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RUNKEL JOHN F JR
950 KIFER ROAD
SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

Former VP(SR)-General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ John F. Runkel 03/06/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Incentive Stock Option granted pursuant to the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan. Option shall vest 1/8 on the six-month anniversary of the grant date and the remaining shares in equal installments over the next 42 months after the date of grant of 1/4/2006.

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