UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

> **Date of Report: December 7, 2007** (Date of earliest event reported)

INTUITIVE SURGICAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

000-30713 Commission File Number 77-0416458 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

950 Kifer Road

Sunnyvale, California 94086 (Address of Principal executive offices, including zip code)

(408) 523-2100

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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D Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 1.01: Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

(b) Material Definitive Agreement

Intuitive Surgical, Inc. (Intuitive), the industry leader in surgical robotics, announced that it has agreed with California Institute of Technology (Cal Tech) to enter into a non exclusive license under Cal Tech's patent portfolio and that Cal Tech has agreed to dismiss its lawsuit against Intuitive. The terms of the license arrangement have not been disclosed and are considered immaterial to the Company's financial statements.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 7, 2007

INTUITIVE SURGICAL, INC.

By /s/ Marshall L. Mohr

Name: Marshall L. Mohr *Title:* Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer