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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* RUNKEL JOHN F JR (Last) (First) 950 KIFER ROAD | | on [*] | 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) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify |
|--|---------------|-----------------|--|---|
| | | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/23/2007 | X below) below) VP(SR)-General Counsel |
| (Street) SUNNYVALE (City) | CA (State) | 94086 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 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. Transa Code (8) | | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 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 | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1150.4) |
| Common Stock | 10/23/2007 | | М | | 1,042 | A | \$115.8 | 1,445 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/23/2007 | | S | | 1,042 | D | \$295.1732 | 403 | D | |

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) | | of Ex Derivative (M Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/N | ate | 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 | and (A) | 5) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$115.8 | 10/23/2007 | | М | | | 1,042 | (1) | 01/04/2016 | Common Stock | 1,042 | \$0 | 28,125 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

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.

<u>/s/ John F Runkel</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person

<u>10/24/2007</u> n 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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