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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Brogna Salvatore Issuer Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC (Check all applicable) [ISRG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 1266 KIFER ROAD 12/01/2011 **SVP Product Development** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Form: Direct Beneficial (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 12/01/2011 $M^{(1)}$ 9.167 A 9,623 D Stock 303.27 Common 12/01/2011 $S^{(1)}$ 9,167 D 456 D Stock Common $M^{(1)}$ 12/01/2011 1,250 1,706 D Stock Common $S^{(1)}$ 12/01/2011 1,250 D 456 D 424.67 Stock Common 12/01/2011 $M^{(1)}$ 7,656 \$ 334.3 8,112 D A Stock

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Common Stock	12/01/2011	S(1)	7,656	D	\$ 424.67	456	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2011	M <u>(1)</u>	3,000	A	\$ 341.19	3,456	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2011	S <u>(1)</u>	3,000	D	\$ 424.67	456	D	
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Deri Seci	itle of ivative urity tr. 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 on 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
Sto	n-Qualified ck Option tht to buy)	\$ 107.27	12/01/2011		M <u>(1)</u>	1,250	<u>(2)</u>	02/17/2019	Common Stock	1,25
Sto	n-Qualified ck Option tht to buy)	\$ 303.27	12/01/2011		M(1)	9,167	<u>(2)</u>	02/15/2018	Common Stock	9,16
Sto	n-Qualified ck Option tht to buy)	\$ 334.3	12/01/2011		M <u>(1)</u>	7,656	(2)	02/16/2020	Common Stock	7,65
Sto	n-Qualified ck Option ght to buy)	\$ 341.19	12/01/2011		M(1)	3,000	(2)	02/15/2021	Common Stock	3,00

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Brogna Salvatore 1266 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

SVP Product Development

Signatures

Salvatore J. Brogna 12/02/2011

**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) These options were exercised and the underlying shares sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 15, 2011.
- (2) Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2000 Employee Stock Option Plan. The option vests 1/8th six months after the date of grant and 1/48th monthly thereafter.

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