NUVASIVE INC Form 4 January 14, 2011

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HUNT ROBERT J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NUVASIVE INC [NUVA]					ng	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
<i>a</i> .												
(Last)	(First) (N	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				V D:	100/	0			
C/O NUVASIVE, INC., 7475 LUSK BLVD.			(Month/Day/Year) 01/12/2011						X Director Officer (give below)		Owner or (specify	
	(Street)		4. If Ame	ndment, I	Date	Original	1		6. Individual or Jo	oint/Group Filin	g(Check	
			Filed(Mon	th/Day/Ye	ar)				Applicable Line)			
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121								_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-	-Dei	rivative :	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deen Execution any (Month/E	n Date, if	3. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	tion((4. Securit (A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D) 5) Price	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)	
Common	01/12/2011			M	4	4,000	A	\$ 10.08	32,000	D		

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

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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)]
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.08	01/12/2011		M	4,000	01/03/2009	01/03/2015	Common Stock	4,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HUNT ROBERT J C/O NUVASIVE, INC. 7475 LUSK BLVD. SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	X						

Signatures

/s/ Jason Hannon, Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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