#### OBOYLE KEVIN C

Form 4

September 16, 2008

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addr OBOYLE KEV		ing Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NUVASIVE INC [NUVA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
7475 LUSK BLVD.			(Month/Day/Year) 09/15/2008	Director 10% Owner Norticer (give title Other (specify below) CFO and Executive VP		
(Street) SAN DIEGO, CA 92121			4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiom Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	09/15/2008		Code V M	Amount 2,607	or (D)	Price \$ 3.75	(Instr. 3 and 4) 5,420	D	
Common Stock (1)	09/15/2008		S(3)	2,607	D	\$ 48.5535	2,813	D	
Common Stock	09/15/2008		M	17,393	A	\$ 9.5	20,206	D	
Common Stock (2)	09/15/2008		S(3)	17,393	D	\$ 48.5535	2,813	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	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)	\$ 3.75	09/15/2008		M	2,607	01/08/2007	01/02/2014	Common Stock	2,607	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.5	09/15/2008		M	17,393	3 01/08/2008	10/20/2014	Common Stock	17,393	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

OBOYLE KEVIN C 7475 LUSK BLVD. SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

CFO and Executive VP

## **Signatures**

Kevin C. 09/16/2008 O'Boyle

\*\*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) The shares sold were acquired contemporaneously upon the cashless exercise of a stock option at an exercise price of \$3.75 per share.
- (2) The shares sold were acquired contemporaneously upon the cashless exercise of a stock option at an exercise price of \$9.50 per share..

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(3) The sale reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plans adopted by the Reporting Person on September 14, 2007 and May 15, 2008.

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