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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addre Hannon Jason	ess of Reporti	ng 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	(= un uppriouere)		
7475 LUSK BLVD.			(Month/Day/Year) 03/09/2010	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP and General Counsel		
(Street) SAN DIEGO, CA 92121			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/09/2010		M	3,000	A	\$ 16.24	4,225	D	
Common Stock (1)	03/09/2010		S(2)	3,000	D	\$ 42.2011	1,225	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 Derivat Security (Instr. 3	tive Conv cy or Ex 3) Price	version (xercise of vative	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		ative Expiration Date es (Month/Day/Year) d		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 Buy)	n \$ 1	16.24	03/09/2010		M		3,000	06/21/2009	06/21/2015	Common Stock	3,000

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	orting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Oth	

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7475 LUSK BLVD. SVP and General Counsel

Signatures

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

/s/ Jason Hannon 03/11/2010

**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 \$16.24 per share.
- The sale reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on September 9, 2009.

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