

INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC  
Form 8-K  
October 18, 2011

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 18, 2011

**INTUITIVE SURGICAL, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

000-30713  
(Commission  
File Number)

77-0416458  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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1266 Kifer Road

Sunnyvale, California 94086

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 523-2100

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On October 18, 2011, Intuitive Surgical, Inc. ( Intuitive ) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2011. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information in this Current Report, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of Intuitive under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished with this report on Form 8-K:

99.1 Press release issued by Intuitive Surgical, Inc., dated October 18, 2011.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

INTUITIVE SURGICAL, INC.

Date: October 18, 2011

By */s/* **MARSHALL L. MOHR**  
*Name:* **Marshall L. Mohr**  
*Title:* **Senior Vice President and**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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