

INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC  
Form 8-K  
November 23, 2009

**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: November 20, 2009**

(Date of earliest event reported)

**INTUITIVE SURGICAL, INC.**

(exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction)

**000-30713**  
Commission File Number

**77-0416458**  
(I.R.S. Employer)

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of incorporation)

Identification No.)

**1266 Kifer Road**

**Sunnyvale, California 94086**

(Address of Principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(408) 523-2100**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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)
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- .. 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 8.01. Other Events.**

On November 20, 2009, Intuitive Surgical, Inc. (the Company ) announced that it has received regulatory approval from the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare (MHLW) to allow marketing of its *da Vinci S* System in Japan. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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

d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release issued by Intuitive Surgical, Inc., November 20, 2009.

**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: November 23, 2009

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>
99.1	Press Release issued by Intuitive Surgical, Inc., November 20, 2009.