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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2010

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number 000-30713

Intuitive Surgical, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)
1266 Kifer Road

77-0416458
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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Sunnyvale, California 94086

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(408) 523-2100

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. YES NO

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). YES NO

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definition of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller Reporting company
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES NO

The Registrant had 39,293,400 shares of Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share, outstanding as of October 8, 2010.

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	September 30, 2010	December 31, 2009
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 382.0	\$ 221.4
Short-term investments	598.9	334.0
Accounts receivable, net	207.9	205.4
Inventory	85.0	57.6
Prepays and other assets	20.3	20.9
Deferred tax assets	7.4	7.3
Total current assets	1,301.5	846.6
Property, plant and equipment, net	156.6	125.7
Long-term investments	639.7	616.6
Long-term deferred tax assets	65.2	53.4
Intangible assets, net	70.6	56.2
Goodwill	116.9	110.7
Other assets	1.3	0.5
Total assets	\$ 2,351.8	\$ 1,809.7
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 35.7	\$ 27.6
Accrued compensation and employee benefits	47.2	49.8
Deferred revenue	116.8	99.4
Other accrued liabilities	67.6	26.0
Total current liabilities	267.3	202.8
Long-term liabilities	76.2	69.6
Total liabilities	343.5	272.4
Commitments and contingencies		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, 2.5 shares authorized, \$0.001 par value, issuable in series; no shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009		

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Common stock, 100.0 shares authorized, \$0.001 par value, 39.3 and 38.5 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively		
Additional paid-in capital	1,287.5	1,024.3
Retained earnings	720.1	511.7
Accumulated other comprehensive income	0.7	1.3
Total stockholders' equity	2,008.3	1,537.3
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,351.8	\$ 1,809.7

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
Revenue:				
Product	\$ 287.1	\$ 236.3	\$ 860.4	\$ 604.7
Service	57.3	43.8	163.3	124.4
Total revenue	344.4	280.1	1,023.7	729.1
Cost of revenue:				
Product	72.8	65.3	213.5	166.1
Service	21.0	15.8	62.3	45.1
Total cost of revenue	93.8	81.1	275.8	211.2
Gross profit	250.6	199.0	747.9	517.9
Operating expenses:				
Selling, general, and administrative	91.6	69.9	263.0	199.6
Research and development	26.9	24.6	83.4	69.3
Total operating expenses	118.5	94.5	346.4	268.9
Income from operations	132.1	104.5	401.5	249.0
Interest and other income, net	5.0	4.3	13.6	14.5
Income before taxes	137.1	108.8	415.1	263.5
Income tax expense	50.5	44.3	154.5	108.5
Net income	\$ 86.6	\$ 64.5	\$ 260.6	\$ 155.0
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$ 2.20	\$ 1.69	\$ 6.65	\$ 4.05
Diluted	\$ 2.14	\$ 1.64	\$ 6.45	\$ 3.97
Shares used in computing earnings per share:				
Basic	39.4	38.1	39.2	38.3
Diluted	40.5	39.2	40.4	39.0

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(IN MILLIONS)

(UNAUDITED)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2010	2009
Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 260.6	\$ 155.0
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	17.4	14.2
Amortization of intangible assets	12.2	11.7
Deferred income taxes	(11.8)	(15.5)
Income tax benefits from employee stock option plans	49.5	8.7
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	(56.3)	(9.2)
Share-based compensation expense	87.5	71.9
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(2.4)	(16.4)
Inventory	(27.4)	6.8
Prepays and other assets	(0.3)	(6.9)
Accounts payable	8.2	4.4
Deferred revenue	17.2	12.4
Other accrued liabilities	49.7	32.3
Net cash provided by operating activities	404.1	269.4
Investing Activities:		
Purchase of investments	(1,032.2)	(523.2)
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	745.4	417.7
Purchase of property and equipment and acquisition of intellectual property	(86.6)	(45.7)
Net cash used in investing activities	(373.4)	(151.2)
Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock, net	132.9	33.7
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	56.3	9.2
Repurchase and retirement of common stock	(58.9)	(150.0)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	130.3	(107.1)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(0.4)	0.4
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	160.6	11.5
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	221.4	194.6
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 382.0	\$ 206.1

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See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(UNAUDITED)

In this report, Intuitive Surgical, Intuitive, and the Company refer to Intuitive Surgical, Inc and its wholly-owned subsidiaries.

NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

Intuitive Surgical, Inc. designs, manufactures, and markets the *da Vinci* Surgical System, which is an advanced surgical system that the Company believes represents a new generation of surgery. The *da Vinci* Surgical System consists of a surgeon's console or consoles, a patient-side cart, a high performance vision system and proprietary wristed instruments. The *da Vinci* Surgical System seamlessly translates the surgeon's natural hand movements on instrument controls at the console into corresponding micro-movements of instruments positioned inside the patient through small puncture incisions, or ports. By placing computer-enhanced technology between the surgeon and the patient, the *da Vinci* Surgical System enables higher value surgical procedures to patients through increased effectiveness and reduced invasiveness.

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (financial statements) of Intuitive Surgical, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries have been prepared on a consistent basis with the December 31, 2009 audited Consolidated Financial Statements and include all adjustments, consisting of only normal recurring adjustments, necessary to fairly state the information set forth herein. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and, therefore, omit certain information and footnote disclosure necessary to present the statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP). These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, which was filed on January 29, 2010. The results of operations for the first nine months of fiscal 2010 are not indicative of the results to be expected for the entire fiscal year or any future periods.

New Accounting Standards Recently Adopted

Revenue Recognition for Arrangements with Multiple Deliverables

The Company's revenue consists of product revenue resulting from the sales of systems, instruments and accessories, and service revenue. The Company recognizes revenue when all four revenue recognition criteria have been met: persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists; delivery has occurred or service has been rendered; the price is fixed or determinable; and collectibility is reasonably assured. The Company's revenue recognition policy generally results in revenue recognition at the following points:

System sales. For system sales directly to end customers, revenue is recognized when acceptance occurs, which is deemed to have occurred upon the receipt by the Company of a form executed by the customer acknowledging delivery and/or installation. For system sales through distributors, revenue is recognized upon transfer of title and risk of loss, which is generally at the time of shipment. Distributors do not have price protection rights. The Company's system contracts do not allow rights of return. The Company's system revenue contains a software component. Since the *da Vinci* System's software and non-software elements function together to deliver the System's essential functionality, they are considered to be one deliverable that is excluded from the software revenue recognition guidance.

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Instruments and accessories. Revenue from sales of instruments and accessories is recognized when the product has been shipped. The Company records an allowance on instruments and accessories sales returns based on historical returns experience.

Service. Service contract revenue is recognized ratably over the term of the service period. Revenue related to services performed on a time-and-materials basis is recognized when it is earned and billable.

The Company determined that its multiple-element arrangements are generally comprised of the following elements that would qualify as separate units of accounting: system sales, service contracts and instruments and accessories sales.

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In September 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) amended the accounting standards related to revenue recognition for arrangements with multiple deliverables and arrangements that include software elements (new accounting principles). The new accounting principles permit prospective or retrospective adoption, and the Company elected prospective adoption at the beginning of the first quarter of 2010.

For multiple-element arrangements (which are generally comprised of system sales and service contracts) entered into prior to January 1, 2010, revenue was allocated to each element based on the relative fair value of each element. Fair value is generally determined by vendor specific objective evidence (VSOE) which is based on the price charged when each element is sold separately. The Company's systems sales generally include a first year service obligation. The Company typically does not sell the systems on a stand-alone basis and therefore does not have VSOE for its systems. The Company has established VSOE for services. When the fair value of a delivered element had not been established, but fair value existed for the undelivered elements, prior to January 1, 2010, the Company used the residual method to recognize revenue. Under the residual method, the fair value of the undelivered elements was deferred and the remaining portion of the arrangement fee was allocated to the delivered elements.

Subsequent to the adoption of the new revenue accounting principles, for multiple-element arrangements entered into on or after January 1, 2010, revenue is allocated to each element based on their relative selling prices. Relative selling prices are based first on VSOE, then on third-party evidence of selling price (TPE) when VSOE does not exist, and then on estimated selling price (ESP) when VSOE and TPE do not exist.

Because the Company has neither VSOE nor TPE for its systems, the allocation of revenue has been based on the Company's ESPs. The objective of ESP is to determine the price at which the Company would transact a sale if the product was sold on a stand-alone basis. The Company determines ESP for its systems by considering multiple factors including, but not limited to, features and functionality of the system, geographies, type of customer, and market conditions. The Company regularly reviews ESP and maintains internal controls over the establishment and updates of these estimates.

Had the new accounting guidance been applied to revenue at the beginning of 2009, the resultant revenue for the year ended December 31, 2009 would have been substantially the same. Had the new accounting guidance been applied to the three and nine months ended September 30, 2009, system revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2009 would have been approximately \$1.5 million lower, while system revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 would have been approximately \$1.6 million higher.

Fair Value Measurements Disclosures

Effective January 1, 2010, the Company adopted revised guidance intended to improve disclosures related to fair value measurements, issued by FASB. This guidance requires us to separate information about significant transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 and the reason for such transfers, and also requires information related to purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements information of Level 3 financial assets to be included in the rollforward of activity. The guidance also requires us to provide certain disaggregated information on the fair value of financial assets and requires us to disclose valuation techniques and inputs used for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements of our Level 2 and Level 3 financial assets. The Company's policy is to recognize transfers into or out of levels as of the actual date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer.

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The following tables summarize the Company's cash, cash equivalents and investments as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 (in millions):

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
September 30, 2010				
Cash and cash equivalents:				
Cash	\$ 35.0	\$	\$	\$ 35.0
Cash equivalents	347.0			347.0
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 382.0	\$	\$	\$ 382.0
Available for sale investments:				
Short-term				
Commercial paper	\$ 62.5	\$	\$	\$ 62.5
Municipal notes	110.7	0.5		111.2
U.S. corporate debt	164.9	0.8		165.7
U.S. treasuries	103.3			103.3
U.S. government agencies	155.9	0.3		156.2
Total short-term	\$ 597.3	\$ 1.6	\$	\$ 598.9
Long-term				
Municipal notes	\$ 109.8	\$ 0.6	\$ (4.3)	\$ 106.1
U.S. corporate debt	327.8	4.1		331.9
U.S. treasuries	16.0	0.2		16.2
U.S. government agencies	169.0	0.6		169.6
Non-U.S. government securities	15.7	0.2		15.9
Total long-term	\$ 638.3	\$ 5.7	\$ (4.3)	\$ 639.7
Total cash, cash equivalents and available for sale investments:	\$ 1,617.6	\$ 7.3	\$ (4.3)	\$ 1,620.6

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	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
December 31, 2009				
Cash and cash equivalents:				
Cash	\$ 28.6	\$	\$	\$ 28.6
Cash equivalents	192.8			192.8
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$ 221.4	\$	\$	\$ 221.4
Available for sale investments:				
Short-term				
Commercial paper	\$ 13.1	\$	\$	\$ 13.1
Municipal notes	21.3	0.2		21.5
U.S. corporate debt	150.5	1.3		151.8
U.S. treasuries	31.6	0.2		31.8
U.S. government agencies	45.5	0.5		46.0
Total short-term	\$ 262.0	\$ 2.2	\$	\$ 264.2
Long-term				
Municipal notes	\$ 161.0	\$ 1.5	\$ (4.5)	\$ 158.0
U.S. corporate debt	222.5	2.1	(0.1)	224.5
U.S. treasuries	29.5		(0.2)	29.3
U.S. government agencies	204.6	0.6	(0.4)	204.8
Total long-term	\$ 617.6	\$ 4.2	\$ (5.2)	\$ 616.6
Total cash, cash equivalents and available for sale investments	\$ 1,101.0	\$ 6.4	\$ (5.2)	\$ 1,102.2
Other securities (included in short-term investments):				
Trading securities, auction rate securities	\$ 62.2	\$	\$	\$ 62.2
Put option	7.6			7.6
Total cash, cash equivalents and investments	\$ 1,170.8	\$ 6.4	\$ (5.2)	\$ 1,172.0

The following table summarizes the maturities of the Company's cash equivalents and available-for-sale investments at September 30, 2010 (in millions):

	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Mature in less than one year	\$ 944.2	\$ 945.9
Mature in one to five years	615.5	621.1
Mature in more than five years	22.9	18.6
Total	\$ 1,582.6	\$ 1,585.6

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, realized gains or losses recognized on the sale of investments were not significant. As of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, net unrealized gains on available-for-sale securities, net of tax, of \$2.1 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, were included in accumulated other comprehensive income in the accompanying unaudited Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. At September 30, 2010, the majority of the Company's gross unrealized losses were from auction-rate securities (ARS). The Company determined these unrealized losses to be temporary and recorded no other-than-temporary impairments. Factors

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considered in determining whether a loss is temporary included the length of time and extent to which the investments fair value has been less than the cost basis; the financial condition and near-term prospects of the investee; extent of the loss related to credit of the issuer; the expected cash flows from the security; the Company's intent to sell the security and whether or not the Company will be required to sell the security before the recovery of its amortized cost.

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The Company measures certain financial assets including cash equivalents, available-for-sale securities, trading securities and foreign currency derivatives at their fair value. The fair value of these financial assets was determined based on three levels of inputs, of which the first two are considered observable and the last unobservable, as follows:

Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 - Inputs other than Level 1 that are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

The following tables represent the Company's fair value hierarchy for its financial assets and liabilities as of September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 (in millions):

	Fair Value Measurements at September 30, 2010			
	Using			Total
Assets	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Available-for-sale securities				
Money Market funds	\$ 248.6	\$	\$	\$ 248.6
U.S. treasuries	119.5			119.5
Commercial paper		150.8		150.8
Corporate debt		497.6		497.6
U.S. government agencies		335.9		335.9
Non-U.S. government agencies		15.9		15.9
Municipal notes		198.7	18.6	217.3
Total assets measured at fair value	\$ 368.1	\$ 1,198.9	\$ 18.6	\$ 1,585.6
Liabilities				
Foreign Currency Derivatives	\$			