NUVASIVE INC Form 8-K/A October 29, 2010

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 Form 8-K/A

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 28, 2010 NUVASIVE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-50744 33-0768598

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification

Number)

7475 Lusk Boulevard, San Diego, California 92121

(Address of principal executive offices, with zip code)

(858) 909-1800

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

n/a

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Form 8-K/A (the Amendment) is being filed to correct an error contained in the original Exhibit 99.1 (Press Release dated October 28, 2010) to the Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by NuVasive, Inc. (the Company) on October 28, 2010 (the Original 8-K). The Company wishes to correct an error in the 2010 Tax Adjustments & WASO Guidance (millions) table that was presented on page 4 of the Press Release to correct the Effective Tax Rate (ETR) for Q4 from ~12% to ~15.5%. Item 99.1 to the Initial Report is amended and reated in its entirety to reference the corrected Press Release, as attached to this Amendment. This Form 8-K/A does not amend any other items in the Original 8-K or the Press Release.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition and Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 28, 2010, NuVasive, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. The following 2010 Tax Adjustments & WASO Guidance (millions) table, which appeared on page 4 of Exhibit 99.1 (Press Release dated October 28, 2010) to the Original 8-K, is revised to correct the Effective Tax Rate (ETR) for Q4 from $\sim 12\%$ number to $\sim 15.5\%$. A copy of the corrected press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1.

2010 Tax Adjustments & WASO Guidance (millions)

	Q1 - Q3	Q4	FY10
Effective Tax Rate (ETR)*	~ 8.5%	~ 15.5%	~ 12%
Reversal of remaining valution allowance		~ \$ (45.0)	~ \$ (45.0)
Weighted average shares Diluted	41.0	~ 46.0	~ 46.0

* ETR to be used on a pre-tax income prior to reversal of remaining valuation allowance

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits (d) Exhibits

99.1 Corrected press release dated October 28, 2010, announcing financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2010 (furnished only)

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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.

NUVASIVE, INC.

Date: October 29, 2010 By: /s/ Alexis V. Lukianov

Alexis V. Lukianov

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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