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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HUNT ROBERT J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NUVASIVE INC [NUVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2005

C/O NUVASIVE, INC., 10065 OLD GROVE ROAD, SUITE A

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

Applicable Line)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Issuer

below)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92131

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of

Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

TransactionDerivative Code Securities

(A)

or

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.08	01/03/2005		A	24,000		<u>(1)</u>	01/02/2015	Common Stock	24,000	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.08	01/03/2005		A	18,000		(2)	01/02/2015	Common Stock	18,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HUNT ROBERT J C/O NUVASIVE, INC. 10065 OLD GROVE ROAD, SUITE A SAN DIEGO, CA 92131



Signatures

/s/ Robert J. 01/04/2005 Hunt

**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) This option vests and becomes exercisable in equal monthly installments over a 48 month period.
- (2) 15,000 of the underlying shares are vested and exercisable upon the grant date (01/03/05) with the remaining option shares vesting in 24 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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