#### Edgar Filing: NUVASIVE INC - Form 4

| NUVASIVE INC<br>Form 4August 18, 2008FORM 4UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION<br>Washington, D.C. 20549Check this box<br>if no longer<br>subject to<br>Section 16.<br>Form 4 or<br>Form 5<br>obligations<br>may continue.<br>See Instruction<br>1(b).Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,<br>Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section<br>30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940<br>30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 |   |  |          |   |                            |       |               | OMB<br>Number:<br>Expires:<br>Estimated a<br>burden hour<br>response   | •  |   |  |
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| OBOYLE KEVIN C Syml  |   |  |          | 8   |                            |       |               | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer  |  |   |  |
| (M   |   |  | (Month/  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>08/14/2008 |                            |       |               | (Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner<br>X Officer (give title Other (specify<br>below) below)<br>CFO and Executive VP                              |  |   |  |
|  |   |  |          | lf Amendment, Date Original<br>ed(Month/Day/Year)                 |                            |       |               | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting<br>Person |  |   |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip) <b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>   |   |  |          |   |                            |       |               | y Owned  |  |   |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)   | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deem<br>Execution<br>any<br>(Month/D | Date, if | 3.<br>Transacti<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8)<br>Code V                   | omr Dispos<br>(Instr. 3, 4 | ed of |               | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)   | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
| Common<br>Stock  | 08/14/2008                              |  |          | М   | 4,500                      | А     | \$ 3.75       | 7,313  | D  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock (1)  | 08/14/2008                              |  |          | S <u>(3)</u>  | 4,500                      | D     | \$<br>55.1801 | 2,813  | D  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock  | 08/14/2008                              |  |          | М   | 15,500                     | А     | \$ 9.5        | 18,313   | D  |   |  |
| Common<br>Stock (2)  | 08/14/2008                              |  |          | S <u>(3)</u>  | 15,500                     | D     | \$<br>55.1801 | 2,813  | D  |   |  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>orDerivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 3.75   | 08/14/2008                              |   | М                                      | 4,500  | 01/08/2007   | 01/02/2014         | Common<br>Stock   | 4,500                               |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 9.5  | 08/14/2008                              |   | М                                      | 15,500   | 01/08/2008   | 10/20/2014         | Common<br>Stock   | 15,500                              |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                           | Relationships |           |                      |       |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer              | Other |  |  |  |  |
| OBOYLE KEVIN C<br>7475 LUSK BLVD.<br>SAN DIEGO, CA 92121 |               |           | CFO and Executive VP |       |  |  |  |  |
| 0:   |               |           |                      |       |  |  |  |  |

## Signatures

/s/ Jason Hannon, Attorney-in-fact 08/18/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **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) The shares sold were acquired contemporaneously upon the cashless exercise of a stock option at an exercise price of \$3.75 per share.

(2) The shares sold were acquired contemporaneously upon the cashless exercise of a stock option at an exercise price of \$9.50 per share..

(3)

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The sale reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plans adopted by the Reporting Person on September 14, 2007 and May 15, 2008.

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