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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Link Matthew			(Month/Day/Year)	NUVASIVE INC [NUVA]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/01/2013	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
7475 LUSK BLVD				(Check all applicable)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(Street)				<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
SAN DIEGO,Â CAÂ 92121				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		(give title below) (specify below)	
				Exec. VP U.S. Sales	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	8,161 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	187 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	62 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	2,500 <sup>(4)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	9,375 <sup>(5)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	12,500 <sup>(6)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	5,000 <sup>(7)</sup>	D	Â

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

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- (7) Represents an award of Restricted Stock Units that vests in 4 equal annual installments beginning on October 1, 2013.
- (8) 25% of the total shares subject to the option vested on January 2, 2009, the first anniversary of the date of grant; the remaining shares continued to vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.
- (9) 25% of the total shares subject to the option vested on January 2, 2010, the first anniversary of the date of grant; the remaining shares continue to vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.
- (10) 25% of the total shares subject to the option vested on April 1, 2011, the first anniversary of the date of grant; the remaining shares continue to vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.
- (11) 25% of the total shares subject to the option vested on January 3, 2012, the first anniversary of the date of grant; the remaining shares continue to vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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