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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FARRELL PETER C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

NUVASIVE INC [NUVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

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

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

01/03/2005

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

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

(Middle)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

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

7. Title and Amount of **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
Common Stock (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

FARRELL PETER C

C/O NUVASIVE, INC.

10065 OLD GROVE ROAD, SUITE A

SAN DIEGO, CA 92131

Signatures

Reporting Person

/s/ Peter C.
Farrell

**Signature of 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) 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 reamining option shares vesting in 24 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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