FIRST SOLAR, INC.

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rebhorn Timothy Brian

> (First) (Middle)

C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC., 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

EVP, Corp Dev & Strategic Mktg

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	06/30/2016		M	3,645 (1)	A	\$ 0	16,145	D	
Common Stock	06/30/2016		M	1,634 (2)	A	\$ 0	17,779	D	
Common Stock	06/30/2016		M	1,715 (3)	A	\$ 0	19,494	D	
Common Stock	06/30/2016		M	2,244 (4)	A	\$ 0	21,738	D	
Common Stock	06/30/2016		F	997 (5)	D	\$ 48.48	20,741	D	

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Common Stock	06/30/2016	F	447 <u>(5)</u> D	\$ 48.48	20,294	D
Common Stock	06/30/2016	F	470 <u>(5)</u> D	\$ 48.48	19,824	D
Common Stock	06/30/2016	F	614 <u>(5)</u> D	\$ 48.48	19,210	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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number Diof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	06/30/2016		M	3,645	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	3,645	9
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	06/30/2016		M	1,634	(8)	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	1,634	9
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	06/30/2016		M	1,715	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	1,715	9
Restricted Stock Units	(10)	06/30/2016		M	2,244	(11)	(11)	Common Stock	2,244	

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reporting Owners 2 Rebhorn Timothy Brian C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

EVP, Corp Dev & Strategic Mktg

Signatures

/s/ Peter C. Bartolino, Attorney-in-fact

07/05/2016

**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) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on December 31, 2012.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 5, 2014.
- (3) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 5, 2015.
- (4) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 8, 2016.
- (5) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations with the vesting of the restricted stock units.
- Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of the Issuer's common stock in accordance with the Issuer's 2010 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- The restricted stock units were granted on December 31, 2012. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary date of the grant date. Twelve months of vesting occurred on June 30, 2016, the effective date of the Reporting Person's termination of employment with the Issuer, pursuant to the terms of the Reporting Person's Employment Agreement.
- The restricted stock units were granted on March 5, 2014. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary date of the grant date. Twelve months of vesting occurred on June 30, 2016, the effective date of the Reporting Person's termination of employment with the Issuer, pursuant to the terms of the Reporting Person's Employment Agreement.
- The restricted stock units were granted on March 5, 2015. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary date of the grant date. Twelve months of vesting occurred on June 30, 2016, the effective date of the Reporting Person's termination of employment with the Issuer, pursuant to the terms of the Reporting Person's Employment Agreement.
- (10) Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of the Issuer's common stock in accordance with the Issuer's 2015 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- The restricted stock units were granted on March 8, 2016. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on (11) the first anniversary date of the grant date. Twelve months of vesting occurred on June 30, 2016, the effective date of the Reporting Person's termination of employment with the Issuer, pursuant to the terms of the Reporting Person's Employment Agreement.

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