FIRST SOLAR, INC.

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KALETA PAUL J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) C/O FIRST S WEST WASH 600		f .	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2016	(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, General Counsel		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		

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d(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)
	X Form filed by One Reporting Person
	Form filed by More than One Reporting
	Person

(City)	(State) (Table	I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi n(A) or Di		•	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
		(Monui/Day/Tear)	(msu. o)		(A) or		Following Reported Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/03/2016		M	3,127 (1)	A	\$0	11,796	D	
Common Stock	03/03/2016		F	1,015 (2)	D	\$ 69.71	10,781	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)	e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Da	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Securities	8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	03/03/2016		M	3,127	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	3,127	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
KALETA PAUL J C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON ST., SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244			EVP, General Counsel			

Signatures

/s/ Peter C. Bartolino, Attorney-in-fact 03/07/2016

**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 March 3, 2014.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations with the vesting of the restricted stock units.
- (3) 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.
- (4) The restricted stock units were granted on March 3, 2014 pursuant to the Reporting Person's Employment Agreement. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, beginning March 3, 2015.

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