FIRST SOLAR, INC. Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Garabedian Raffi

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Middle)

FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]

(Check all applicable)

Chief Technology Officer

C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC., 350

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

03/08/2016

Applicable Line)

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

TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Trans
(Instr. 3)		any	Code
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature		
te, if	Transactio	on(A) or Disposed of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect		
	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial		
Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownershi		
			Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		

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	5. Amo	unt (
	Securiti	es
	Benefic	ially
	Owned	
	Followi	ng
	Reporte	ed

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

Code V Amount (D)

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

Common 03/08/2016 Stock

S 542 (1) D

67.43 2,807 D

Common Stock

03/08/2016

S 800 \$ 68.49 2,007 (3)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ivative Expiration Date (urities (Month/Day/Year) uired (A) Disposed of tr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	03/08/2016		A	14,402	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	14,402	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Garabedian Raffi C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244			Chief Technology Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Peter C. Bartolino, Attorney-in-fact 03/10/2016

**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) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person on August 26, 2015.
- (2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$67.03 to 67.81. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price for the transactions reported on this line.
- (3) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$68.17 to \$68.80. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price for the transactions reported on this line.
- (4) 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.
- (5) The restricted stock units were granted on March 8, 2016 as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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