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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DeJong Philip			Symbol	e and Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earlie		(Check all applicable)			
C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC., 350 WEST WASHINGTON ST., STE 600			(Month/Day/Ye 07/21/2017	ar)	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Operating Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendmen	nt, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ТЕМРЕ, А	Z 85281		Filed(Month/Day	/Year)		One Reporting Person More than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	on-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficially Owned		
1.Title of	2. Transaction	Date 2A. Dee	med 3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership 7. Nature of		

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Ilisti. 5 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/21/2017		M	8,250 (1)	A	\$0	39,341	D	
Common Stock	07/21/2017		F	2,946 (2)	D	\$ 45.15	36,395	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)	Code	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	of Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	07/21/2017	M	8,250	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	8,250	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DeJong Philip C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON ST., STE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

/s/ Jason E. Dymbort, attorney-in-fact 07/25/2017

**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 33% of the restricted stock units granted on November 21, 2016.
- (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 2015 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (4) The restricted stock units were granted on November 21, 2016 pursuant to the retention equity award. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 33% on July 21, 2017, 33% on March 21, 2018 and 34% on November 21, 2018.

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