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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Zhu James Issuer Symbol FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify C/O FIRST SOLAR, 350 WEST 04/27/2011 below) WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE Chief Accounting Officer 600 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
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)			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common	04/27/2011		Code V	Amount 1,079	or (D)	Price \$ 0	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	D	
Stock Common Stock	04/27/2011		F	300 (2)		\$ 138.59	•	D	
Common Stock	04/28/2011		M	708 (3)		\$ 0	2,172	D	
Common Stock	04/28/2011		F	197 (2)	D	\$ 138.39	1,975	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number ow f 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 Deriv Secu (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	04/27/2011		M	1,079	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	1,079	\$
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	04/28/2011		M	708	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	708	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Zhu James C/O FIRST SOLAR 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244			Chief Accounting Officer			

Signatures

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

**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 20% of the restricted stock units granted on April 27, 2009.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations associated with the vesting of the restricted stock units.

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- (3) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 20% of the restricted stock units granted on April 28, 2008.
- (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 Amended and Restated 2006 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- The restricted stock units were granted on April 27, 2009. The units are scheduled to vest annually from the grant date at a rate of 20% on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date, with the remaining 40% scheduled to vest on the fourth anniversary of the grant date.
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