

ANTOUN GEORGES

Form 4

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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**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ANTOUN GEORGES

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/07/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Chief Commercial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
Common Stock	03/07/2018		M	(A) or (D) 7,662 (1)	\$ 0	86,012	D
Common Stock	03/07/2018		F	(A) or (D) 3,222 (2)	\$ 67.95	82,790	D
Common Stock	03/07/2018		S(3)	(A) or (D) 1,220	\$ 68.25	81,570	D
Common Stock	03/08/2018		M	(A) or (D) 4,158 (4)	\$ 0	85,728	D
Common Stock	03/08/2018		F	(A) or (D) 1,749 (2)	\$ 67.69	83,979	D

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(5)	03/07/2018		M	7,662	(6) (6)	Common Stock	7,662 \$
Restricted Stock Units	(5)	03/08/2018		M	4,158	(7) (7)	Common Stock	4,158 \$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ANTOUN GEORGES
C/O FIRST SOLAR INC.
350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600
TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

Chief Commercial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Jason E. Dymbort,
attorney-in-fact

03/09/2018

__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 7, 2017.

(2)

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Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations with the vesting of the restricted stock units.

- (3) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person on December 11, 2017.
- (4) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 8, 2016.
- (5) 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.
- (6) The restricted stock units were granted on March 7, 2017 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.
- (7) 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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