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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Gustafsson I	•	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) C/O FIRST WEST WAS SUITE 600	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· 1	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/27/2010	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specification) below) EVP, General Counsel, Secty.			
(Street) TEMPE, AZ 85281			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired or(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	
(Instr. 3)	any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
					(A) or		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 5 and 1)		
Common Stock	10/27/2010		M	1,600	A	\$0	3,456	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2010		F	656 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 150.3	2,800	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 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. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	10/27/2010		M	1,600	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,600	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gustafsson Mary Elizabeth C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281

EVP, General Counsel, Secty.

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 withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations associated with the vesting of the restricted stock units.
- (2) 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 Plan.
- (3) The restricted stock units were granted on October 27, 2008. These units are scheduled to vest annually 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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