

FIRST SOLAR, INC.  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Â Bradley Alexander R.  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)  
07/01/2016

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

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer  Other  
(give title below) (specify below)  
Chief Financial Officer

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

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

(Street)

TEMPE,Â AZÂ 85281-1244

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security  
(Instr. 4)

Common Stock

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned  
(Instr. 4)

0

3. Ownership Form:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect (I)  
(Instr. 5)

D Â

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date  
(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Units	Â (1)	Â (1)	Common Stock	2,904	\$ (2)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (3)	Â (3)	Common Stock	1,462	\$ (2)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (4)	Â (4)	Common Stock	2,433	\$ (2)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (5)	Â (5)	Common Stock	3,853	\$ (6)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (7)	Â (7)	Common Stock	3,889	\$ (6)	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bradley Alexander R. C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244	Â	Â	Â Chief Financial Officer	Â

## Signatures

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

07/11/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The restricted stock units were granted on March 13, 2013. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (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 2010 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (3) The restricted stock units were granted on March 5, 2014. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) The restricted stock units were granted on March 5, 2015. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (5) The restricted stock units were granted on August 5, 2015 as a performance recognition grant. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (6) 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.
- (7) The restricted stock units were granted on March 8, 2016. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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**Remarks:**

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24, Power of Attorney

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