FIRST SOLAR, INC.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * A Rebhorn Timothy Brian

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

TEMPE. AZÂ 85281-1244

(City) (State) (Zip)

Common Stock

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

07/01/2015

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]

10% Owner Director _X_ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) SVP, Corp Dev & Strategic Mktg

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

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

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

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Â 1,145 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 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

5. Ownership Form of

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

Derivative Derivative

Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Performance Units	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	125,000	\$ (2)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	7,290	\$ <u>(4)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	4,901	\$ <u>(4)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(6)	(6)	Common Stock	6,861	\$ (4)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rebhorn Timothy Brian C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZÂ 85281-1244

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Signatures

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

07/10/2015

**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).

The performance units were granted on December 31, 2012 and shall vest in two separate tranches, each contingent upon the achievement of a threshold performance goal and pre-established performance criteria within a defined performance period. Performance Units will not vest unless the participant is continuously employed by the Issuer through the applicable vesting date, unless the participant is

- eligible, in certain pre-established circumstances, for a pro-rata settlement. In the event of a change of control of the Issuer during the performance period, regardless of whether the threshold performance goal has been achieved, 25% of the then unvested portion of the performance unit will vest or a different amount as determined by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. For more information, see Part II, Item 5 Other Information, of the Issuer's Current Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 4, 2012.
- (2) Each performance 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 December 31, 2012. These units vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary date of the grant date.
- (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 2010 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (5) 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.
- (6) 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.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24, Power of Attorney

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