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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Branderiz Eric**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

SUNPOWER CORP [SPWR]

(Check all applicable)

C/O SUNPOWER

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2012

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below) below) Principal Accounting Officer

CORPORATION, 77 RIO ROBLES (Street)

(State)

(Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City)

| (eng) | (State) | Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------------------|--|-------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------------|--|--|
| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | 3. 4. Securities Acq | | cquired | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of | | | | |
| Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transaction(A) or Disposed of | | | d of | Securities | Form: Direct | Indirect | | |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | ` ' | | | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial | | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | Owned | Indirect (I) | Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | (A) | | Reported | | | | | |
| | | | | | or | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (D) | Price | (IIISII. 3 aliu 4) | | | | |
| Common | 02/01/2012 | | M | 2 452 | ٨ | Φ.Ω | 2 452 | D | | | |
| Stock | 03/01/2012 | | M | 3,453 | A | \$ 0 | 3,453 | D | | | |
| | | | | | | Φ. | | | | | |
| Common | 03/01/2012 | | $F_{\underline{(1)}}$ | 1,448 | D | \$ | 2,005 | D | | | |
| Stock | | | _ | _, | | 7.45 | _, | _ | | | |
| Common | | | | | | \$ | | | | | |
| Stock | 03/05/2012 | | S(2) | 2,005 | D | Ψ 7 38 | 0 | D | | | |
| Stock | | | | | | 7.50 | | | | | |

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) | Transaction Derivative Code Securities | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------|--|-----------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) | (3) | 03/01/2012 | | M | 3,453 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 3,453 | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Branderiz Eric C/O SUNPOWER CORPORATION 77 RIO ROBLES SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Principal Accounting Officer

Signatures

Karla Rogers, as attorney-in-fact for Eric
Branderiz
03/05/2012

**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) Disposition of shares exempt under Rule 16b-3 as payment of tax liability to Company by delivery or withholding securities incident to vesting of restricted stock shares.
- (2) The sale reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a previously adopted rule 10b5-1 trading plan by the reporting person.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Registrant's Common Stock once vested.
- (4) The RSUs vest in three equal installments on each of March 1, 2012, March 1, 2013 and March 1, 2014.

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