

Brown James G. Jr.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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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 Brown James G. Jr.
(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
09/01/2011

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

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer Other
(give title below) (specify below)
President, Util. Sys. Bus.

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

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

(Street)

TEMPE,Â AZÂ 85281-1244

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

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

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

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

No securities are beneficially owned

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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 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	1,681	\$ (5)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	528	\$ (5)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (3)	Â (3)	Common Stock	4,004	\$ (5)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (4)	Â (4)	Common Stock	16,721	\$ (6)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Brown James G. Jr. C/O FIRST SOLAR 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244	Â	Â	Â President, Util. Sys. Bus.	Â

Signatures

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

09/06/2011

__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 April 28, 2008. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 20% on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date, and 40% on the fourth anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) The restricted stock units were granted on April 27, 2009. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 20% on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date, and 40% on the fourth anniversary of the grant date.
- (3) The restricted stock units were granted on March 24, 2010. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 20% on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date, and 40% on the fourth anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) The restricted stock units were granted on March 22, 2011. These units are scheduled to vest at a rate of 25% per year, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (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 Amended and Restated 2006 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (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 2010 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24, Power of Attorney

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *See* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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