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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Ahearn Michael J

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC., 350
 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
 SUITE 600

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 07/30/2009

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

(Street)
 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

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

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	07/30/2009		M	A	5,000 (1)	\$ 0	9,835 D
Common Stock	07/30/2009		F	D	1,997 (2)	\$ 173.55	7,838 D
Common Stock							3,073,839 I

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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 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. Transaction 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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	07/30/2009		M	5,000	(4) (4)	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC.
350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET SUITE 600
TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

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CEO

Signatures

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

08/03/2009

**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 issued upon vesting of 20% of the restricted stock units granted on July 30, 2007.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations associated with the vesting of the restricted stock units.
- (3) 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.
- (4)

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The restricted stock units were granted as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers on July 30, 2007. The 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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