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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person SKALETA PAUL J	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC., 350 WEST WASHINGTON ST., SUIT 600	(Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2019	Director 10% Owner Other (give title below) EVP, Genl Counsel & Secretary			
(Street)	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	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/05/2019		M	2,591 (1)	A	\$ 0	23,153	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2019		F	1,201 (2)	D	\$ 52.19	21,952	D	
Common Stock	03/06/2019		M	2,224 (3)	A	\$ 0	24,176	D	
Common Stock	03/06/2019		F	1,031 (2)	D	\$ 51.37	23,145	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 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	03/05/2019		M		2,591	<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Stock	2,591
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	03/06/2019		M		2,224	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	2,224
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>	03/06/2019		A	10,707		(8)	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	10,707

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KALETA PAUL J C/O FIRST SOLAR, INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON ST., SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

EVP, Genl Counsel & Secretary

## **Signatures**

/s/ Jason E. Dymbort, attorney-in-fact 03/07/2019

\*\*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 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 5, 2015.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations with the vesting of the restricted stock units.

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- (3) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 6, 2018.
- (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, 2015 as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, 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 6, 2018 as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (8) The restricted stock units were granted on March 6, 2019 as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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