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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 *
 Sweeney Michael T

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/28/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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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 | 02/28/2011 | | M | | 6,750 | A | \$ 4.54 9,111 D |
| Common Stock | 02/28/2011 | | S | | 3,900 | D | \$ 149.97 5,211 D (1) (6) |
| Common Stock | 02/28/2011 | | S | | 802 | D | \$ 150.98 4,409 D (2) (6) |
| Common Stock | 02/28/2011 | | S | | 698 | D | \$ 152.08 3,711 D |

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|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|---------------------------------------|-------|---|
| Common Stock | 02/28/2011 | S | 1,150 | D | <u>(3)</u> <u>(6)</u> \$ 152.97 | 2,561 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/28/2011 | S | 200 | D | <u>(4)</u> <u>(6)</u> \$ 154.36 | 2,361 | 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. 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 4.54 | 02/28/2011 | | M | 6,750 | <u>(7)</u> 12/14/2015 | Common Stock 6,750 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET SUITE 600
TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

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Signatures

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

03/01/2011

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$149.60 to \$150.38. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line.

(2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$150.65 to \$151.55. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line.

(3) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$151.72 to \$152.49. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line.

(4) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$152.75 to \$153.63. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line.

(5) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$154.21 to \$154.51. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line.

(6) A total of 6,750 shares were sold on this date in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$149.60 to \$154.51, with a total weighted average sale price of \$150.95. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the staff of the SEC, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(7) All of the underlying shares in respect of the option are fully vested.

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