FIRST SOLAR, INC.

Form 4 April 02, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(C:tr.)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Gaffney John T

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

C/- FIRST SOLAR, INC., 4050

(7:m)

EAST COTTON CENTER BLVD.

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

03/31/2008

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify

below) Executive VP/General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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PHOENIX, AZ 85040

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitor(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock (1)	03/31/2008		M	1,310	A	\$ 0	5,310	D	
Common Stock	03/31/2008		F	443 (2)	D	\$ 231.14	4,867	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)	Code	5. Number ion Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	03/31/2008	M	1,310	<u>(4)</u>	(5)	Common Stock	1,310	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gaffney John T C/- FIRST SOLAR, INC. 4050 EAST COTTON CENTER BLVD. PHOENIX, AZ 85040

Executive VP/General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ I. Paul Kacir, Attorney-in-Fact 04/02/2008

**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 1/20th of the restricted stock units granted on December 31, 2007.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock withheld by First Solar, Inc. 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, following vesting, one share of First Solar, Inc. common stock.
- (4) The units are scheduled to vest in 20 equal quarterly installments commencing on March 31, 2008.
- (5) Upon termination of Mr. Gaffney's employment for cause, all units which have not vested at the date of termination shall be forfeited, except as otherwise determined by the compensation committee.

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