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			FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]						(Check all applicable)			
	(First) (OLAR, INC., 3 HINGTON STI		3. Date of (Month/Da 01/09/20	ay/Year]		nsaction			X Director Officer (give below)	$\frac{10\%}{\text{below}}$	b Owner er (specify	
				nendment, Date Original fonth/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Nor	1-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year) Executi any	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securi nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, Amount	(A) o 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	01/09/2009			A <u>(1)</u>		77	А	\$0	296	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Under Secur	le and unt of rlying ities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
VILLARREAL JOSE H C/- FIRST SOLAR, INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON STRE TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244	Х						
Signatures							
I. Paul Kacir, Attorney-in-Fact	01/13/2009						
<u>**</u>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) The shares granted represent the quarterly equity compensation paid to the independent directors.

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