

FIRST SOLAR, INC.
Form 8-K
May 21, 2018

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 16, 2018

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

FIRST SOLAR, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-33156

20-4623678

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

350 West Washington Street

Suite 600

Tempe, Arizona 85281

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(602) 414-9300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. "

Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

First Solar, Inc. (“First Solar”) held its 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”) on May 16, 2018. A description of each matter voted upon at the Annual Meeting is described in detail in First Solar’s definitive proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 4, 2018. The number of votes cast for and against and the number of abstentions and broker non-votes with respect to each matter voted upon are set forth below.

Proposal 1: To elect the following ten nominees to First Solar’s board of directors, each to serve on the board of directors until the next annual meeting of stockholders or until his or her successor has been elected and qualified:

Nominees	Votes Cast For	Votes Cast Against	Abstentions	Broker Non-Votes
Michael J. Ahearn	78,167,295	866,291	73,932	12,766,564
Sharon L. Allen	77,793,963	1,268,629	44,926	12,766,564
Richard D. Chapman	78,255,577	796,320	55,621	12,766,564
George A. Hambro	78,322,162	708,949	76,407	12,766,564
Molly E. Joseph	78,772,335	290,175	45,008	12,766,564
Craig Kennedy	78,305,687	725,311	76,520	12,766,564
William J. Post	78,473,220	577,879	56,419	12,766,564
Paul H. Stebbins	75,110,760	3,939,545	57,213	12,766,564
Michael Sweeney	77,460,803	1,589,549	57,166	12,766,564
Mark R. Widmar	78,588,959	443,882	74,677	12,766,564

Proposal 2: To ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP as First Solar’s independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2018:

Votes Cast For	Votes Cast Against	Abstentions	Broker Non-Votes
90,450,375	1,291,083	132,624	—

Proposal 3: To vote upon a stockholder proposal requesting a report on conducting business in conflict-affected areas:

Votes Cast For	Votes Cast Against	Abstentions	Broker Non-Votes
4,268,909	72,264,848	2,573,761	12,766,564

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FIRST SOLAR, INC.

Date: May 21, 2018 By: /s/ PAUL KALETA

Name: Paul Kaleta

Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary