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Pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission rules, you are receiving this notice that the proxy materials for the annual stockholders' meeting are available on the Internet. Follow the instructions below to view the materials and vote online or request a copy. The items to be voted on and location of the annual meeting are on the reverse side. Your vote is important!

This communication is not a form for voting and presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials, which contain important information and are available to you on the Internet or by mail. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting. The proxy statement and annual report to stockholders are available at:

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Stockholder Meeting Notice & Admission Ticket

First Solar, Inc.'s Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on May 23, 2012 at the Desert Willow Conference Center, 4340 East Cotton Center Blvd., Phoenix, AZ 85040 at 9:00 a.m. Local Time.

Proposals to be voted on at the meeting are listed below along with the Board of Directors' recommendations.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR all the nominees listed, FOR Proposal 2 and AGAINST Proposals 3 and 4.

1. Election of Directors:

01 - Michael J. Ahearn	02 - Richard D. Chapman	03 - George A. Hambro
04 - Craig Kennedy	05 - James F. Nolan	06 - William J. Post
07 - J. Thomas Presby	08 - Paul H. Stebbins	09 - Michael Sweeney

2. Ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012.
3. Stockholder proposal regarding majority voting standard.
4. Stockholder proposal regarding board diversity.

PLEASE NOTE – YOU CANNOT VOTE BY RETURNING THIS NOTICE. To vote your shares you must vote online or request a paper copy of the proxy materials to receive a proxy card. If you wish to attend and vote at the meeting, please bring this notice with you.

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Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting
For holders as of: April 05, 2012
Date: May 23, 2012 **Time:** 9:00 AM MDT
Location: Desert Willow Conference Ctr
4340 E Cotton Center Boulevard
Phoenix, Arizona 85040

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1. Annual Report 2. Notice & Proxy Statement

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Voting Items

The Board of Directors recommends that you vote FOR the following:

1. Election of Directors

Nominees

01 Michael J. Ahearn	02 Richard D. Chapman	03 George A. Hambro	04 Craig Kennedy	05 James F. Nolan
06 William J. Post	07 J. Thomas Presby	08 Paul H. Stebbins	09 Michael Sweeney	

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following proposal(s):

2 Ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012.

The Board of Directors recommends you vote AGAINST the following proposal(s):

3 Stockholder proposal regarding majority voting standard.

4 Stockholder proposal regarding board diversity.

NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

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