

Branderiz Eric
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Branderiz Eric

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SUNPOWER CORPORATION, 77 RIO ROBLES

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SUNPOWER CORP [SPWR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/14/2012

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)
 SVP & Prin Acct Off

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/14/2012		M	3,333 A \$ 0	11,773	D	
Common Stock	09/14/2012		F(3)	1,223 D \$ 4.91	10,550	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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	(1)	09/14/2012		M	3,333	(2) (2)	Common Stock	3,333

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Branderiz Eric C/O SUNPOWER CORPORATION 77 RIO ROBLES SAN JOSE, CA 95134			SVP & Prin Acct Off	

Signatures

Karla Rogers, attorney-in-fact for Eric Branderiz
 Signature: _____ Date: 09/18/2012

**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) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock upon vesting.
- (2) The RSUs vest in three equal installments on each of September 14, 2012, September 14, 2013, and September 14, 2014.
- (3) Disposition of shares exempt under Rule 16b-3 as payment of tax liability to Company by delivery or withholding securities incident to vesting of restricted stock shares.

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