

NEESE MARTY T
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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 *
NEESE MARTY T

(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)
03/19/2012

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)
Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 | 03/19/2012 | | M | 30,900 A \$ 0 | 62,072 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/19/2012 | | F(1) | 11,335 D \$ 7.9 | 50,737 | 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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units (PSUs) | (2) | 03/19/2012 | | A | 30,900 | (3) (3) | Common Stock |
| Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units (PSUs) | (2) | 03/19/2012 | | M | 30,900 | (3) (3) | Common Stock |
| Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) | (4) | 03/19/2012 | | A | 75,000 | (5) (5) | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NEESE MARTY T C/O SUNPOWER CORPORATION 77 RIO ROBLES SAN JOSE, CA 95134 | | | Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

Karla Rogers, as attorney-in-fact for Marty T. Neese 03/21/2012

__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) 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.
- (2) Each PSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock upon vesting.
- (3) On August 5, 2010, Reporting Person was awarded a number of PSUs within a preset range, with the actual number contingent upon the achievement of certain performance criteria. The Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors confirmed achievement of the performance criteria on March 19, 2012 and, based on that assessment, determined the number of PSUs.
- (4) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock upon vesting.
- (5) The RSUs shall vest in three equal installments on each of March 1, 2013, March 1, 2014 and March 1, 2015.

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