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First Solar PV Modules Certified by UL for 1000-Volt Systems

TEMPE, Ariz.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- First Solar, Inc. (Nasdaq: FSLR) today announced that its advanced thin-film Series 3 photovoltaic (PV) solar modules have been listed by UL (Underwriters Laboratories) as meeting standards UL1703 and ULC1703 for use in PV systems up to 1000 volts. This system voltage is typical for utility-scale PV power plants.

"First Solar is pleased that UL has validated the quality and safety of our modules, which are the first thin-film PV modules to receive this certification," said Tom Kuster, First Solar Vice President of Product Management and System Technology.

The company's modules were previously UL listed as meeting those standards for use in PV systems up to 600 volts.

First Solar is the leading developer and provider of utility-scale solar PV power plants, with a North American project pipeline of more than 2.9 gigawatts (GW). The company has produced nearly 80 million modules, generating more than 6 GW of power around the world.

About First Solar, Inc.

First Solar is a leading global provider of comprehensive photovoltaic (PV) solar systems which use its advanced thin-film modules. The company's integrated power plant solutions deliver an economically attractive alternative to fossil-fuel electricity generation today. From raw material sourcing through end-of-life module collection and recycling, First Solar's renewable energy systems protect and enhance the environment. For more information about First Solar, please visit www.firstsolar.com.

For First Solar Investors

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