

Jaap Christopher  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â Jaap Christopher (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O SUNPOWER CORPORATION,Â 77 RIO ROBLES (Street)  SAN JOSE,Â CAÂ 95134 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2012	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SUNPOWER CORP [SPWR]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Acting Gen Counsel & Ass Sec	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	659	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	Â (1)	Â (1)	Common Stock	834	\$ (6)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	2,200	\$ (6)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	Â (3)	Â (3)	Common Stock	767	\$ (6)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	Â (4)	Â (4)	Common Stock	1,710	\$ (6)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	Â (4)	Â (4)	Common Stock	3,350	\$ (6)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	Â (4)	Â (4)	Common Stock	700	\$ (6)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	Â (5)	Â (5)	Common Stock	5,025	\$ (6)	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Jaap Christopher C/O SUNPOWER CORPORATION 77 RIO ROBLES SAN JOSE, CA 95134	Â	Â	Â Acting Gen Counsel & Ass Sec	Â

## Signatures

Karla Rogers, as attorney-in-fact for Christopher Jaap 02/29/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The RSUs vest on March 1, 2012.
  - (2) The RSUs vest in two equal installments on each of March 1, 2012 and March 1, 2013.
  - (3) The RSUs vest on November 15, 2012.
  - (4) The RSUs vest in three equal installments on each of March 1, 2012, March 1, 2013 and March 1, 2014.
  - (5) The RSUs vest in three equal installments on each of June 1, 2012, June 1, 2013 and June 1, 2014.
  - (6) Each restricted stock unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Registrant's Common Stock once vested.

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