

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

July 31, 2013

<u>Via E-mail</u> Michael Potter Chief Financial Officer Canadian Solar Inc. 545 Speedvale Avenue West Guelph, Ontario, Canada N1K 1E6

> Re: Canadian Solar Inc. Registration Statement on Form F-3 Filed July 11, 2013 File No. 333-189895

Dear Mr. Potter:

We have limited our review of your registration statement to those issues we have addressed in our comment. In our comment, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter by amending your registration statement and providing the requested information. Where you do not believe our comment applies to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your registration statement and the information you provide in response to this comment, we may have additional comments.

Prospectus Summary

1. Please expand your summary to discuss industry trends that have had or are expected to have a material impact on your business or results from operations. For instance, we note your Form 20-F disclosure that a majority of your sales in 2012 were made in Europe, and expect that the European markets will remain your "major markets in the near future." Accordingly, please revise your summary to discuss the European Union anti-dumping tariffs on modules manufactured in China.

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Act of 1933 and all applicable Securities Act rules require. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made. Michael Potter Canadian Solar Inc. July 31, 2013 Page 2

Notwithstanding our comments, in the event you request acceleration of the effective date of the pending registration statement please provide a written statement from the company acknowledging that:

- should the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, declare the filing effective, it does not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing;
- the action of the Commission or the staff, acting pursuant to delegated authority, in declaring the filing effective, does not relieve the company from its full responsibility for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments and the declaration of effectiveness as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We will consider a written request for acceleration of the effective date of the registration statement as confirmation of the fact that those requesting acceleration are aware of their respective responsibilities under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as they relate to the proposed public offering of the securities specified in the above registration statement. Please allow adequate time for us to review any amendment prior to the requested effective date of the registration statement.

Please contact Brian Soares at (202) 551-3580 or Jay Mumford at (202) 551-3637 with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jay Mumford for

Russell Mancuso Branch Chief

cc (via-email): David Zhang, Esq. Kirkland & Ellis LLP