

Andalay Solar, Inc.
Form 424B3
January 20, 2015

Table of Contents

Filed Pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3)
Registration No. 333-200855

PROSPECTUS

ANDALAY SOLAR, INC.

85,000,000 Shares of Common Stock

This prospectus relates to the offer and resale of up to 85,000,000 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, by the selling stockholder, Southridge Partners II LP, a Delaware limited partnership (“Southridge”). All of such shares represent shares that Southridge has agreed to purchase if put to it by us pursuant to, and subject to the volume limitations and other limitation of, the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement we entered into with them on December 10, 2014 (the “December Equity Purchase Agreement”), which superseded and replaced our prior Equity Purchase Agreement that we entered into on January 23, 2014 (the “Prior Equity Purchase Agreement”) and terminated on December 9, 2014. Pursuant to the terms of the December Equity Purchase Agreement we agreed to pay Southridge a commitment fee of 1,000,000 shares of our common stock (having a value of \$17,900 based upon the closing price of our common stock on December 5, 2014) of which 500,000 shares of our common stock will be issued to Southridge on the date that the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part is declared effective and the remaining 500,000 shares of common stock will be issued on the date that we deliver our first Draw Down Notice to Southridge. None of the commitment fee shares are included in the 85,000,000 shares of common stock being registered under the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. Subject to the terms and conditions of the December Equity Purchase Agreement we have the right to “put,” or sell, up to \$5,000,000 worth of shares of our common stock to Southridge. This arrangement is also sometimes referred to herein as the “Equity Line.” To date, we have sold 35,000,000 shares of our common stock for gross proceeds of \$684,000 pursuant to the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement that we entered into with Southridge on January 23, 2014.

For more information on the selling stockholder, please see the section of this prospectus entitled “Selling Security Holder” beginning on page 46.

Southridge may sell any shares offered under this prospectus at prevailing market prices or privately negotiated prices. Southridge is an “underwriter” within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), in connection with the resale of our common stock under the Equity Line. For more information, please see the section of this prospectus titled “Plan of Distribution” beginning on page 47. We will not receive any proceeds from the resale of these shares of common stock offered by Southridge. We will, however, receive proceeds from the sale of shares directly to Southridge pursuant to the Equity Line. When we put an amount of shares to Southridge, the per share purchase price that Southridge will pay to us in respect of the put will be determined in accordance with the formula set forth in the December Equity Purchase Agreement. There will be no underwriter’s discounts or commissions so we will receive all of the proceeds of our sale to Southridge.

We may draw upon the Equity Line periodically during the Term (a “Draw Down”) by delivering to Southridge a written notice (a “Draw Down Notice”) requiring Southridge to purchase a dollar amount in shares of common stock (a “Draw Down Amount”). Southridge has committed to purchase up to \$5,000,000 worth of shares of our common stock over a period of time terminating on the earlier of: (i) 18 months from the effective date of the registration statement filed in connection with the December Equity Purchase Agreement; or (ii) the date on which Southridge has purchased shares of our common stock pursuant to the Equity Line for an aggregate maximum purchase price of \$5,000,000. In no event may the shares issuable pursuant to a Draw Down Notice, when aggregated with the shares then held by Southridge on the date of the Draw Down, exceed 9.99% of the Company’s outstanding common stock.

Table of Contents

The purchase price per share of common stock purchased under the Equity Line will equal 90% of the average of the daily volume weighted average price (“VWAP”) during the Valuation Period (the “Purchase Price”). On the date that a Draw Down Notice is delivered to Southridge, we are required to deliver an estimated amount of shares to Southridge’s brokerage account equal to 125% of the Draw Down Amount indicated in the Draw Down Notice divided by the closing bid price of our common stock for the trading day immediately prior to the date of the Draw Down Notice (“Estimated Shares”). The Valuation Period will begin the first trading day after the Estimated Shares have been delivered to Southridge’s brokerage account and have been cleared for trading, and terminates ten days thereafter. At the end of the Valuation Period, if the number of Estimated Shares delivered to Southridge is greater than the shares issuable pursuant to a Draw Down, then Southridge is required to return to us the difference between the Estimated Shares and the actual number of shares issuable pursuant to the Draw Down. If the number of Estimated Shares is less than the shares issuable under the Draw Down, then we are required to issue additional shares to Southridge equal to the difference; provided that the number of shares to be purchased by Southridge may not exceed the number of such shares that, when added to the number of shares of our common stock then beneficially owned by Southridge, would exceed 9.99% of the outstanding number of shares of our common stock.

We will specify in each Draw Down Notice a minimum threshold market price under which no shares may be sold (the “Floor Price”). The Floor Price shall not be less than 80% of the average of the closing trade prices for the ten (10) trading days ending immediately prior to delivery of the Draw Down

In the event that during a Valuation Period, the closing bid price on any trading day is below the Floor Price (the “Low Bid Price”), Southridge is under no obligation to purchase and we are under no obligation to sell 1/10th of the Draw Down Amount for each such trading day, and the Draw Down Amount will be adjusted accordingly. In the event that during a Valuation Period there exists a Low Bid Price for any three trading days then our obligation to sell and Southridge’s obligation to purchase the Draw Down Amount under a Draw Down Notice will terminate on such third trading day (the “Termination Date”) and the Draw Down Amount shall be adjusted to include only 1/10th of the initial Draw Down Amount for each day during the Valuation Period prior to the Termination Date that the bid price equals or exceeds the Low Bid Price.

Our common stock became eligible for trading on the OTCQB on September 6, 2012. Our common stock is quoted on the OTCQB under the symbol “WEST”. The closing price of our stock on January 8, 2015, was \$0.0179.

You should understand the risks associated with investing in our common stock. Before making an investment, read the “Risk Factors,” which begin on page 3 of this prospectus.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is January 16, 2015

Table of Contents

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	Page
<u>PROSPECTUS SUMMARY</u>	1
<u>RISK FACTORS</u>	4
<u>USE OF PROCEEDS</u>	18
<u>DILUTION</u>	19
<u>DETERMINATION OF OFFERING PRICE</u>	20
<u>BUSINESS</u>	23
<u>MARKET PRICE OF COMMON STOCK AND OTHER STOCKHOLDER MATTERS</u>	34
<u>SECURITIES AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUANCE UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS</u>	36
<u>MANAGEMENT’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OR PLAN OF OPERATION</u>	37
<u>DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, PROMOTERS AND CONTROL PERSONS</u>	51
<u>EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION</u>	53
<u>SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT</u>	57
<u>TRADING MARKET</u>	58
<u>SELLING SECURITY HOLDER</u>	58
<u>RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ISSUER AND THE SELLING SECURITY HOLDER</u>	59
<u>PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION</u>	59
<u>CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS</u>	60
<u>DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES</u>	61
<u>SHARES ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE</u>	64
<u>EXPERTS</u>	64
<u>DISCLOSURE OF COMMISSION POSITION ON INDEMNIFICATION FOR SECURITIES ACT LIABILITIES</u>	64
<u>LEGAL MATTERS</u>	64

<u>WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION</u>	64
<u>PART II</u>	65

Table of Contents

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that which is contained in this prospectus. This prospectus may be used only where it is legal to sell these securities. The information in this prospectus may only be accurate on the date of this prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or of any sale of securities.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus; it does not contain all of the information you should consider before investing in our common stock. You should read the entire prospectus before making an investment decision.

Throughout this prospectus, the terms the “Company,” “Andalay Solar,” “we,” “us,” “our,” and “our company” refer to Andalay Solar, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

Company Overview

We are a designer and manufacturer of integrated solar power systems and solar panels which can easily integrate microinverters. We design, market and sell these solar power systems to solar installers and do-it-yourself customers in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and South America through distribution partnerships, our dealer network and retail outlets. Our products are designed for use in solar power systems for residential and commercial rooftop customers. Prior to September 2010, we were one of the largest solar power installers in the United States, but decided to exit that business. Recently we have re-entered the solar power installation business in California in order to showcase best-practices for installation of our products and thereby accelerate the adoption of our products into the marketplace. We may decide to have our customers ultimately do most installations for us depending on agreements we may make with them.

In September 2007, we introduced our “plug and play” solar panel technology (under the brand name “Andalay”), which we believe significantly reduces the installation time and costs, and provides superior reliability and aesthetics, when compared to other solar panel mounting products and technology. Our panel technology offers the following features: (i) mounts closer to the roof with less space in between panels; (ii) no unsightly racks underneath or beside panels; (iii) built-in wiring connections; (iv) approximately 70% fewer roof-assembled parts and approximately 50% less roof-top labor required; (v) approximately 25% fewer roof attachment points; (vi) complete compliance with the National Electric Code and UL wiring and grounding requirements. We have six U.S. patents (Patent No. 7,406,800, Patent No. 7,832,157, Patent No. 7,866,098, Patent No. 7,987,614, Patent No. 8,505,248 and Patent 8,813,460 B2) that cover key aspects of our Andalay solar panel technology, as well as U.S. Trademark No. 3481373 for registration of the mark “Andalay” In addition to these U.S. patents, we have 7 foreign patents. Currently, we have 13 issued patents and 15 other pending U.S. and foreign patent applications that cover the Andalay technology working their way through the USPTO and foreign patent offices.

In February 2009, we announced a strategic relationship with Enphase, a leading manufacturer of microinverters, to develop and market solar panel systems with ordinary AC house current output instead of high voltage DC output. We introduced Andalay AC panel products and began offering them to our customers in the second quarter of 2009. Andalay AC panels cost less to install, are safer, and generally provide higher energy output than ordinary DC panels. Andalay AC panels deliver 5-25% more energy compared to ordinary panels, produce safe household AC power, and have built-in panel level monitoring, racking, wiring, grounding and microinverters. With 80% fewer parts and 5 – 25%

better performance than ordinary DC panels, we believe Andalay AC panels are an ideal solution for solar installers and do-it-yourself customers.

On July 16, 2014, we entered into an agreement for supply of solar PV modules with Auxin Solar Inc. These modules commenced production in the United States in November 2014.

From September 2010 until September 2014 our business was focused solely on design and manufacturing activities, and sales of our solar power systems to solar installers, trade workers and retailers through distribution partnerships, our dealer network and retail home improvement outlets. Prior to September 2010, we were also in the solar power system installation business and we had completed over 4,300 solar power installations for customers in California, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Colorado and Connecticut since the commencement of our operations in 2001. In early 2009, we closed our non-California offices on the east coast and in Colorado and began distributing our solar power systems to customers outside of California. By mid-2010, it became clear to us that the business and profit potential of the design and manufacturing business was better than that of being an installer. Thus, in September 2010, we made the strategic decision to exit our California solar panel installation business and expand our solar panel distribution network to dealers and other installers in California, by far the largest solar market in the United States. However in October 2014 we decided to re-enter the solar power installation business in California in order to showcase best-practices for installation of our products and thereby accelerate the adoption of our products into the marketplace.

Table of Contents

We were incorporated in February 2001 as Akeena Solar, Inc. in the State of California and elected at that time to be taxed as an S corporation. During June 2006, we reincorporated in the State of Delaware and became a C corporation. On August 11, 2006, we entered into a reverse merger transaction with Fairview Energy Corporation, Inc. (“Fairview”). Pursuant to the merger, our stockholders received one share of Fairview common stock for each issued and outstanding share of our common stock. Our common shares were also adjusted from \$0.01 par value to \$0.001 par value at the time of the Merger. On May 17, 2010, we entered into an exclusive worldwide license agreement with Westinghouse, Inc, which permitted us to manufacture, distribute and market solar panels under the Westinghouse name and in connection therewith, on April 6, 2011, we changed our name to Westinghouse Solar, Inc. On April 13, 2011, we effected a reverse split of our common stock at a ratio of 1 – for – 4. On August 23, 2013, the license agreement with Westinghouse, Inc. was terminated and on September 19, 2013, we changed our name to our current name, Andalay Solar, Inc. and increased our number of authorized shares of common stock to 500,000,000.

Our Corporate headquarters is located at 2071 Ringwood Ave., Unit C, San Jose, CA 95131. Our telephone number is (408) 402-9400. Additional information about us is available on our website at <http://www.andalaysolar.com>. The information on our web site is not incorporated herein by reference.

Table of Contents

The Offering

Common stock that may be offered by selling stockholder 85,000,000 shares

Common stock currently outstanding 279,475,332 shares

Total proceeds raised by offering We will not receive any proceeds from the resale or other disposition of the shares covered by this prospectus by Southridge, the selling shareholder. We will receive proceeds from the sale of shares to Southridge. Southridge has committed to purchase up to \$5,000,000 worth of shares of our common stock over a period of time terminating on the earlier of: (i) 18 months from the effective date of the registration statement filed in connection with the December Equity Purchase Agreement; or (ii) the date on which Southridge has purchased shares of our common stock pursuant to the December Equity Purchase Agreement for an aggregate maximum purchase price of \$5,000,000. The purchase price to be paid by Southridge will be 90% of the average of the daily VWAP during the Valuation Period. On the date the Draw Down Notice is delivered to Southridge, we are required to deliver an estimated amount of shares to Southridge’s brokerage account equal to 125% of the Draw Down Amount indicated in the Draw Down Notice divided by the closing bid price of the trading day immediately prior to the date of the Draw Down Notice (“Estimated Shares”). The Valuation Period begins on the first trading day after the Estimated Shares have been delivered to Southridge’s brokerage account and have been cleared for trading and terminates on the tenth day thereafter. At the end of the Valuation Period, if the number of Estimated Shares delivered to Southridge is greater than the shares issuable pursuant to a Draw Down, then Southridge is required to return to us the difference between the Estimated Shares and the actual number of shares issuable pursuant to the Draw Down. If the number of Estimated Shares is less than the shares issuable under the Draw Down, then we are required to issue additional shares to Southridge equal to the difference; provided that the number of shares to be purchased by Southridge may not exceed the number of shares that, when added to the number of shares of our common stock then beneficially owned by Southridge, would exceed 9.99% of our shares of common stock outstanding.

Risk Factors There are significant risks involved in investing in our company. For a discussion of risk factors you should consider before buying our common stock, see “Risk Factors” beginning on page 4.

Table of Contents

RISK FACTORS

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk, and you should be able to bear the complete loss of your investment. You should carefully consider the risks described below, the other information in this prospectus when evaluating our company and our business. If any of the following risks actually occur, our business could be harmed. In such case, the trading price of our common stock could decline and investors could lose all or a part of the money paid to buy our common stock.

Risks Relating to Our Business

We will need additional capital in the near future to fund our business, and financing may not be available. If we can find financing our common stock may be greatly diluted. If we cannot find financing to fund the business, we may decide or may be forced to reorganize or to wind down operations.

We expect our currently available capital resources and cash flows from operations to be insufficient to meet our working capital and capital expenditure requirements. Our cash requirements will depend on numerous factors, including the amount of our sales, the timing and levels of products purchased, pricing, payment terms and credit limits from manufacturers, the availability and terms of asset-based credit facilities, the timing and level of our accounts receivable collections, and our ability to manage our business towards profitability.

We expect to need to raise additional funds through public or private debt or equity financings or enter into new asset-based or other credit facilities, but such financings will likely dilute our stockholders. The December Equity Purchase Agreement that we entered into with Southridge Partners II, LP (“Southridge”) on December 10, 2014 contains conditions that must be met prior to funding and therefore there can be no assurance that such conditions will be met when funding is needed. We cannot assure you that any additional financing that we may need will be available on terms favorable to us, or at all. Our loss of S-3 eligibility in September 2012 due to our Nasdaq delisting and limited availability of authorized and unissued common stock may make it more difficult to raise such funds. If adequate funds are not available or are not available on acceptable terms, we may not be able to take advantage of business opportunities, develop new products or otherwise respond to competitive pressures. If we are not able to raise additional capital, and if we are not able to significantly increase our revenues from operations, we will not have enough funds to continue operations and we may either decide to or may be forced to reorganize or to wind down our operations. If such event were to occur, any equity holdings in the Company would likely be reduced to zero.

Our loan and security agreement is expired and if not extended further we could lose all of our assets.

Our loan and security agreement with the Lender and Collateral Services, LLC is secured by all of our assets. This agreement expired on December 31, 2014, and there is no assurance that the Lender will extend this agreement further. Currently the entire amount owing is due and payable. The agreement contains both affirmative and negative covenants, including covenants regarding incurrence of indebtedness, liens, mergers and acquisitions, subject to materiality and other qualifications and exceptions customary for a credit facility of this size and type. Our obligations under the agreement may be accelerated upon the occurrence of an event of default in accordance with the terms of the Agreement, which includes customary events of default, including payment defaults, the inaccuracy of representations or warranties, cross-defaults related to material indebtedness, bankruptcy and insolvency related defaults, defaults relating to certain other matters, and loss of perfected lien status. If we fail to comply with these covenants or if we fail to make certain payments under the secured loans when due, the Lender could declare our loans in default. If we default on the loan, the Lender has the right to seize our assets that secure the loan, which would force us to suspend

all operations. If the Lender does not extend the term of the agreement, the Lender can demand repayment of the funds previously advanced by it, and in the event that we are not able to make such repayment, the Lender then could seize all of our assets.

Table of Contents

We have a history of losses and there can be no assurance that we will generate or sustain positive earnings.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, we had a net loss of \$1.3 million and for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, we had a net loss of \$2.8 million and \$8.6 million, respectively. We cannot be certain that our business strategy will ever be successful. Our likelihood of success must be considered in light of the problems, expenses, difficulties, complications and delays frequently encountered in connection with any emerging business operations. If we fail to address any of these risks or difficulties adequately, our business will likely suffer. Future revenues and profits, if any, will depend upon various factors, including the success, if any, of our expansion plans, marketability of our instruments and services, our ability to maintain favorable relations with manufacturers and customers, and general economic conditions. There is no assurance that we can operate profitably or that we will successfully implement our plans. There can be no assurance that we will ever generate positive earnings.

Our financial statements had been prepared assuming that we will continue as a going concern.

Our significant operating losses, negative cash flow from operations, and challenges in rapidly securing alternative sources of supply for solar panels, raise substantial uncertainty about our ability to continue as a going concern. The consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty, and contemplate the realization of assets and the settlement of liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business. The report of our independent registered public accounting firm for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 included an explanatory paragraph expressing substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern in their audit report included herein. If we cannot generate the required revenues and gross margin to achieve profitability or obtain additional capital on acceptable terms, we will need to substantially revise our business plan or cease operations and an investor could suffer the loss of a significant portion or all of his investment in our company. As a result of our delisting from the Nasdaq Capital Market in September 2012, we are no longer eligible to file new registration statements on Form S-3, which may make it more costly and more difficult for us to obtain additional equity financing. We currently anticipate that we will retain all of our earnings, if any, for development of our business and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on common stock in the foreseeable future.

We are dependent upon our solar panel suppliers for regular shipments of products; however we have not been timely in payment to them in recent periods, which has resulted in disruption in our supply of products. If we do not quickly establish replacement sources of supply, our operations will be further adversely affected.

Historically, we obtained virtually all of our solar panels from Suntech and Lightway. During 2012, because of our cash position and liquidity constraints, we were late in making payments to both of these suppliers. On March 30, 2012, pursuant to our Supply Agreement with Lightway, we issued 1,900,000 shares of our common stock to Lightway in partial payment of our past due account payable to them. At the time of issuance, the shares were valued at \$1,045,000. On May 1, 2012, Suntech filed a complaint for breach of contract, goods sold and delivered, account stated and open account against us in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Francisco. Suntech alleged that it delivered products and did not receive full payment from us. On July 31, 2012, we and Suntech entered into a settlement of this dispute. Because of our inability to make scheduled settlement payments, on March 15, 2013, Suntech entered a judgment against us in the amount of \$946,438. As of September 30, 2014, Suntech has not sought to enforce its judgment. As of September 30, 2014, we have included in accounts payable on our consolidated balance sheets a balance due to Suntech America of \$946,438. We currently have no unshipped orders from Suntech or Lightway.

In May 2013, we entered into a new supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd (“EEG”), an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013.

In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Tianwei New Energy Co, Ltd., (“Tianwei”) a panel supplier located in China. We began receiving product from Tianwei in February 2014 and stopped as of June 2014. In July 2014, we entered into a supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Auxin Solar, Inc., a panel supplier located in the United States. We began receiving product from Auxin in the fourth quarter of 2014. Although we believe we can find alternative suppliers for solar panels manufactured to our specifications, our operations would be disrupted unless we are able to rapidly secure alternative sources of supply, our inventory and revenue could diminish significantly, causing disruption to our operations.

Table of Contents

We are dependent upon our key suppliers for the components used in our systems and we must arrange for cost competitive manufacturing of our proprietary solar panels in order to grow our business.

Historically, we obtained virtually all of our components from suppliers in China. These components are specifically manufactured for our patented technology, and we are dependent on these suppliers to provide us with high quality low cost manufactured goods. If these suppliers stopped providing these materials to us, we may have a difficult time in sourcing high quality replacement vendors.

It is critical to the growth of our revenue that our products be high quality while offered at competitive pricing. We believe that we will need to reduce the unit production cost of our products over time to obtain and maintain our ability to offer competitively priced products. Our ability to achieve cost reductions will depend on our ability to maintain favorable supplier contracts and to increase sales volumes so we can achieve economies of scale. We cannot provide assurance that we will be able to achieve any such production cost reductions. If we fail to negotiate better terms and maintain our relationships with our current suppliers or develop new supplier relationships, we may not achieve production cost reductions necessary to competitively price our products, which could adversely affect or limit our sales and growth.

We are currently subject to market prices for the components that we purchase, which are subject to fluctuation beyond our control. An increase in the price of components used in our systems could result in an increase in costs to our customers and could have a material adverse effect on our revenues and demand for our products.

Interruptions in our ability to procure needed components for our systems, whether due to discontinuance by our suppliers, delays or failures in delivery, shortages caused by inadequate production capacity or unavailability, financial failure, manufacturing quality, or for other reasons, would adversely affect or limit our sales and growth. There is no assurance that we will continue to find qualified manufacturers on acceptable terms and, if we do, there can be no assurance that product quality will continue to be acceptable, which could lead to a loss of sales and revenues.

The U.S. Government imposed tariffs on solar panels manufactured in China causing the prices we pay for solar panels to increase. This could cause customer demand for our products to decrease.

In early 2012, a group of solar panel manufacturers with domestic U.S. production facilities requested the U.S. Government to impose tariffs on the import of solar panels manufactured in China, based on allegations of unfair competition and of subsidization of prices for Chinese-made solar panels by the Chinese Government.

On December 31, 2013, SolarWorld America Industries, Inc. requested the U.S. Government to impose tariffs on the import of solar panels manufactured in China with Taiwanese solar cells, based on allegations of unfair competition and of subsidization of prices by the Chinese Government. In February 2014, the U.S. International Trade Commission declared in a unanimous preliminary determination that imports of Chinese panels made with Taiwanese solar cells injure the domestic manufacturing industry. The Commerce Department has found for the complainant in all of the cases, imposing tariffs on Chinese manufacturers of solar panels and preliminary tariffs on solar panels made with Taiwanese solar cells.

Our historical solar panel suppliers, Suntech and Lightway, both manufactured panels for us in China, and we anticipate that we may continue to purchase at least a portion of our solar modules from Chinese manufacturers. The imposition of tariffs on these modules may cause prices to rise, which would generally increase the price of solar power systems, and which may cause a reduction in demand.

Table of Contents

We have experienced significant customer concentration in recent periods, and our revenue levels could be adversely affected if any significant customer fails to purchase products from us at anticipated levels.

The relative magnitude and the mix of revenue from our largest customers have varied significantly quarter to quarter. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, six customers have accounted for significant revenues, varying by period, to our company: Smart Energy Today (“Smart Energy”), which specializes in helping home owners and business owners become more energy efficient, WDC Solar, Inc. (“WDC”), a leading construction, integration and installation of commercial, residential and utility scale solar installations in the Washington D.C. area, JCF Wholesale (“JCF”) a provider of residential and commercial electrical services in Southern California, Sustainable Environmental Enterprises (“SEE”), a leading provider of renewable energy and development projects located in New Orleans, Louisiana, PROSOL, S.A. Total (“PROSOL”) an international solar installation company and Starwood Vacation Ownership, Inc. (“Starwood”), a leading international vacation ownership/timeshare company. If we were to lose one of these companies as a customer, our revenue would decrease and our company may be materially harmed.

We are continuing to shift our business model, away from manufacturing and towards design and installation. We had previously exited the installation business, and there is no guarantee that we will be successful in returning to that business.

Our shift to focus on a design and installation business model will depend, in large part, on our ability to successfully expand our distribution channels to include authorized dealers in California, as well as elsewhere in North America, and to accelerate the growth of our design and installation business. California is the largest state in the country for solar products, accounting for approximately 50 percent of the U.S. market. Therefore, we continue to pursue developing distribution channel partners in California and North America, as well as installation opportunities in California.

If we are not able to achieve the expansion of our design and installation business and meet our revenue growth and cost reduction objectives within the anticipated time frame, or at all, the anticipated benefits and cost savings of our change in strategic focus and our restructuring may not be realized or may take longer to realize than expected, and the value of our common stock may be adversely affected.

Specifically, risks in the operations of our business in order to realize the anticipated benefits of the change to a design and installation business model include, among other things:

- failure to acquire cost competitive solar panels;
- failure to find and develop distribution relationships with new channel partners, particularly in California and the North America market;
- failure to successfully partner with other leading installers in California
- failure to effectively coordinate sales and marketing efforts to communicate the capabilities of our company;
- unpredictability and delays in the timing of projected distribution orders, and resulting accumulation of excess product inventory;
- failure to focus and develop our distribution product and service offerings quickly and effectively;
- failure to successfully develop new products and services on a timely basis that address the market opportunities; and
- unexpected revenue attrition or delays.

In addition, the shift(s) in our business model(s) may result in additional or unforeseen expenses, and the anticipated cost reduction benefits may not be realized.

Our technology may encounter unexpected problems or may not be protectable, which could adversely affect our business and results of operations.

Our technology is relatively new and has not been tested in installation settings for a sufficient period of time to prove its long-term effectiveness and benefits. Problems may occur with products or their underlying components that are unexpected and could have a material adverse effect on our business or results of operations. We have been issued several U.S. and foreign patents that cover our Andalay solar panel technology. We have several other pending patent applications covering Andalay technology. Ultimately, we may not be able to realize the benefits from any patent that is issued.

Table of Contents

Because our industry is highly competitive and has low barriers to entry, we may lose market share to larger companies that are better equipped to weather a decline in market conditions due to increased competition.

Our industry is highly competitive and fragmented, is subject to rapid change and has low barriers to entry. Competition in the solar power services industry may increase in the future, partly due to low barriers to entry, as well as from other alternative energy sources now in existence or developed in the future. Increased competition could result in price reductions, reduced margins or loss of market share and greater competition for qualified technical personnel. There can be no assurance that we will be able to compete successfully against current and future competitors. If we are unable to compete effectively, or if competition results in a deterioration of market conditions, our business and results of operations would be adversely affected.

Our profitability depends, in part, on our success and brand recognition and we could lose our competitive advantage if we are not able to protect our trademarks and patents against infringement, and any related litigation could be time-consuming and costly.

We have registered the “Andalay” trademark with the United States Patent and Trademark Office related to our panel technology. Use of our trademarks or similar trademarks by competitors in geographic areas in which we have not yet operated could adversely affect our ability to use or gain protection for our brand in those markets, which could weaken our brand and harm our business and competitive position. In addition, any litigation relating to protecting our trademarks and patents against infringement could be time consuming and costly.

We are exposed to risks associated with global economy, which increase the uncertainty of project financing for solar installations and the risk of non-payment from customers.

The continuing tight credit markets are contributing to an ongoing slowdown in the solar industry, which may worsen if these economic conditions are prolonged or deteriorate further. The market for installation of solar power systems depends largely on commercial and consumer capital spending. Economic uncertainty exacerbates negative trends in these areas of spending, and may cause customers to push out, cancel, or refrain from placing orders, which may reduce our net sales. Difficulties in obtaining capital and adverse market conditions may also lead to the inability of some customers to obtain affordable financing, including traditional project financing and tax-incentive based financing and home equity based financing, resulting in lower sales to potential customers with liquidity issues, and may lead to an increase of incidents where our customers are unwilling or unable to pay for systems they purchase, and additional bad debt expense for us. Further, these conditions and uncertainty about future economic conditions make it challenging for us to obtain equity and debt financing to meet our working capital requirements to support our business, forecast our operating results, make business decisions, and identify the risks that may affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. If we are unable to timely and appropriately adapt to changes resulting from the difficult macroeconomic environment, our business, financial condition or results of operations may be materially and adversely affected.

We may have warranty obligations to Real Goods Solar, Inc. that could adversely affect our results of operations.

In connection with our exit from the solar system installation business in California in 2010, Real Goods Solar, Inc. (“Real Goods”) agreed to undertake primary, “first responder” responsibility for future warranty service obligations relating to the approximately 800 installations for SunRun that we have previously completed (the “Andalay Installations”). We retain secondary warranty responsibility on the Andalay Installations, in the event that Real Goods fails to perform the warranty. We will reimburse Real Goods for actual warranty service work completed by Real Goods related to these “first responder” installations. Other than solar panels and inverters that are covered under the manufacturer warranty, we provided our customers for Andalay Installations a 5-year or a 10-year warranty. We have accrued, and included within “Liabilities of Discontinued Operations” in our consolidated balance sheets for December

31, 2013 and 2012, a liability of approximately \$1.0 million and \$1.0 million, respectively, to cover these warranty obligations. That amount is intended to cover both the Andalay Installations and certain installation projects assigned to Real Goods. The terms of the Warranty Agreements provided that we establish an escrow account as a source of funds from which to satisfy our obligation to pay Real Goods for its fees and reimburse it for its expenses for warranty work performed by it pursuant to the Warranty Agreements which are not paid to Real Goods from the company directly. In March 2011, we entered into an Escrow Agreement with Real Goods and deposited \$200,000 into an escrow fund. The amount is reflected in long-term assets of discontinued operations in our consolidated balance sheets. The escrow deposit will be released to us in the amount of \$40,000, or one-fifth of the remaining escrow funds, per year after each of the fifth through the ninth anniversary of the escrow agreement. If Real Goods fails to perform under the assigned warranty coverage, or the actual warranty expenses exceed the amounts we have accrued, we could incur significant unexpected additional expenses, which would adversely affect our results of operations.

Table of Contents

Our success depends on our key personnel, including our executive officers, and the loss of key personnel or the transition of key personnel, including our Chief Executive Officer, could disrupt our business.

Our success greatly depends on the continued contributions of our senior management and other key sales, marketing and operations personnel. These employees may voluntarily terminate their employment at any time. We may not be able to successfully retain existing personnel or identify, hire and integrate new personnel; and we do not have key person insurance policies in place for these employees. Starting on May 7, 2012, Margaret Randazzo, acted as our Chief Financial Officer, a director, and our Chief Executive Officer. On April 22, 2014, Steven Chan assumed the role as our Chief Executive Officer and interim Chief Financial Officer and President after Ms. Randazzo announced her resignation as our Chief Executive Officer and as Chief Financial Officer effective June 30, 2014. There can be no assurance that we will be able to find a suitable candidate to fill the role of a permanent Chief Financial Officer or that there will be a smooth transition. Changes in our key positions can be disruptive and could have a material adverse effect on our operations and business.

If we are unable to attract, train and retain highly qualified personnel, the quality of our services may decline and we may not successfully execute our internal growth strategies.

Our success depends in large part upon our ability to continue to attract, train, motivate and retain highly skilled and experienced employees, including technical personnel. Qualified technical employees periodically are in great demand and may be unavailable in the time frame required to satisfy our customers' requirements. While we currently have available technical expertise sufficient for the requirements of our business, expansion of our business could require us to employ additional highly skilled technical personnel. We expect competition for such personnel to increase as the market for solar power systems expands.

There can be no assurance that we will be able to attract and retain sufficient numbers of highly skilled technical employees in the future including a successor CFO. The loss of personnel or our inability to hire or retain sufficient personnel at competitive rates of compensation could impair our ability to secure and complete customer engagements and could harm our business.

Unexpected warranty expenses or service claims could reduce our profits.

We maintain a warranty reserve on our balance sheet for potential warranty or service claims that could occur in the future. This reserve is adjusted based on our ongoing operating experience with equipment and installations. It is possible, perhaps due to bad supplier material or defective installations, that we would have actual expenses substantially in excess of the reserves we maintain. Our failure to accurately predict future warranty claims could result in unexpected profit volatility.

RISKS RELATING TO OUR INDUSTRY

We have experienced technological changes in our industry. New technologies may prove inappropriate and result in liability to us or may not gain market acceptance by our customers.

The solar power industry (and the alternative energy industry, in general) is subject to technological change. Our future success will depend on our ability to appropriately respond to changing technologies and changes in function of products and quality. If we adopt products and technologies that are not attractive to consumers, we may not be successful in capturing or retaining a significant share of our market. In addition, some new technologies are relatively untested and unperfected and may not perform as expected or as desired, in which event our adoption of such products or technologies may cause us to lose money.

A drop in the retail price of conventional energy or non-solar alternative energy sources may negatively impact our profitability.

We believe that an end customer's decision to purchase or install solar power capabilities is primarily driven by the cost and return on investment resulting from solar power systems. Fluctuations in economic and market conditions that affect the prices of conventional and non-solar alternative energy sources, such as decreases in the prices of oil and other fossil fuels, could cause the demand for solar power systems to decline, which would have a negative impact on our profitability. Changes in utility electric rates or net metering policies could also have a negative effect on our business.

Table of Contents

Existing regulations, and changes to such regulations, may present technical, regulatory and economic barriers to the purchase and use of solar power products, which may significantly reduce demand for our products and services.

New government regulations or utility policies pertaining to solar power systems are unpredictable and may result in significant additional expenses or delays and, as a result, could cause a significant reduction in demand for solar energy systems and our services. For example, there currently exist metering caps in certain jurisdictions which effectively limit the aggregate amount of power that may be sold by solar power generators into the power grid.

Our business depends on the availability of rebates, tax credits and other financial incentives; reduction, elimination or uncertainty of which would reduce the demand for our products and services.

Many states offer incentives to offset the cost of solar power systems. These systems can take many forms, including direct rebates, state tax credits, system performance payments and Renewable Energy Credits (“RECs”). Moreover, the federal government currently offers a 30% tax credit for the installation of solar power systems. Businesses may also elect to accelerate the depreciation on their system over five years. Uncertainty about the introduction of, reduction in or elimination of such incentives or delays or interruptions in the implementation of favorable federal or state laws could substantially increase the cost of our systems to our customers, resulting in significant reductions in demand for our services, which would negatively impact our sales.

If solar power technology is not suitable for widespread adoption or sufficient demand for solar power products does not develop or takes longer to develop than we anticipate, our sales would decline and we would be unable to achieve or sustain profitability.

The market for solar power products is emerging and rapidly evolving, and its future success is uncertain. Many factors will influence the widespread adoption of solar power technology and demand for solar power products, including:

- cost effectiveness of solar power technologies as compared with conventional and non-solar alternative energy technologies;
- performance and reliability of solar power products as compared with conventional and non-solar alternative energy products;
- capital expenditures by customers that tend to decrease if the U.S. economy slows; and
- availability of government subsidies and incentives.

If solar power technology proves unsuitable for widespread commercial deployment or if demand for solar power products fails to develop sufficiently, we would be unable to generate enough revenue to achieve and sustain profitability. In addition, demand for solar power products in the markets and geographic regions we target may not develop or may develop more slowly than we anticipate.

RISKS RELATING TO OUR COMMON STOCK

We were delisted from the Nasdaq Capital Market and there is a limited trading volume for our common stock on the OTCQB.

In September 2012, our common stock was delisted from the Nasdaq Capital Market. Our common stock, which currently trades on the OTCQB, does not have substantial trading volume. As a result, relatively small trades of our

common stock may have a significant impact on the price of our common stock and, therefore, may contribute to the price volatility of our common stock. Because of the limited trading volume in our common stock and the price volatility of our common stock, you may be unable to sell your shares of common stock when you desire or at the price you desire. The inability to sell your shares in a declining market because of such illiquidity or at a price you desire may substantially increase your risk of loss.

Table of Contents

In addition, the delisting of our common stock from the Nasdaq Capital Market has materially adversely affected our ability to raise capital on terms acceptable to us or at all and could adversely affect institutional investor interest and we anticipate that this situation will continue into the future.

On each of August 30, 2013 and November 25, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with a certain institutional accredited investor relating to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures August 29, 2015 and November 25, 2015, respectively, and is convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. On December 19, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with the same institutional accredited investor relating to the sale and issuance of a (i) convertible note in the principal amount of \$250,000 that matures December 19, 2015, and is convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events and (ii) five-year warrant exercisable for 6,250,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events.

On December 10, 2014, we entered into the December Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge which superseded a prior agreement we had entered into with Southridge on January 23, 2014 pursuant to which we issued 35,000,000 shares of our common stock for gross proceeds of \$684,000. Pursuant to the December Equity Purchase Agreement, Southridge has committed to purchase up to \$5,000,000 worth of our common stock, over a period of time terminating on the earlier of: (i) 18 months from the effective date of the registration statement to be filed by us for the December Equity Purchase Agreement; or (ii) the date on which Southridge has purchased an aggregate maximum purchase price of \$5,000,000 pursuant to the December Equity Purchase Agreement; Southridge's commitment to purchase our common stock is subject to various conditions, including, but not limited to, limitations based on the trading volume of our common stock.

On January 27, 2014, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with the same institutional accredited investor relating to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$100,000 that matures January 27, 2016 and is convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events. On February 25, 2014, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with the same institutional accredited investor relating to the sale and issuance of a (i) convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures February 25, 2016 and is convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events and (ii) five-year warrant (with a cashless exercise feature under certain circumstances) to purchase 5,000,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. On March 18, 2014, we issued under the Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with the institutional investor on February 25, 2014 a (i) convertible note in the principal amount of \$300,000 that matures March 18, 2016 and (ii) five-year warrant (with a cashless exercise feature under certain circumstances) to purchase 7,500,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances.

When the investors convert our Preferred Stock and convertible notes or exercise the warrant, our stockholders may experience dilution in the net tangible book value of their common stock. In addition, the sale or availability for sale of the underlying shares or shares sold pursuant to the December Equity Purchase Agreement in the marketplace could depress our stock price. As a result, the investors could resell the underlying shares immediately upon issuance, which may result in significant downward pressure on the market price of our stock. In connection with the Series D Preferred and convertible notes, we have granted the purchasers "piggy-back" registration rights to include the underlying shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Series D Preferred in future registration

statements, if any are filed by us.

Table of Contents

If we fail to meet the new eligibility requirements of the OTC Market Group, we will no longer be eligible to have our common stock quoted on the OTCQB

If we fail to maintain a minimum bid price of \$0.01 per share one day per each thirty consecutive days, our stock will no longer be eligible to be traded on the OTCQB and will be traded on the pink sheets. Effective May 1, 2014, the OTC Market Group implemented new eligibility standards for companies traded on the OTCQB that will be gradually phased in over a one year period. Investors of companies that do not meet the eligibility requirements will not have the benefit of the additional disclosure requirements of the OTCQB and trading may be more difficult.

Future sales of common stock by our existing stockholders may cause our stock price to fall.

The market price of our common stock could decline as a result of sales by our existing stockholders of shares of common stock in the market, or the perception that these sales could occur. These sales might also make it more difficult for us to sell equity securities at a time and price that we deem appropriate. As of January 8, 2015, we had 279,475,332 shares of common stock outstanding (which includes 7,186 unvested shares of restricted stock granted to our directors and our employees) and we had warrants to purchase 22,148,045 shares of common stock and options to purchase 37,028,233 shares of common stock outstanding.

All of the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of our outstanding vested options will be freely tradable without restriction under the federal securities laws unless purchased by our affiliates.

Our stock price may be volatile, which could result in substantial losses for investors.

The market price of our common stock is likely to be highly volatile and could fluctuate widely in response to various factors, some of which are beyond our control, including the following:

- decisions by us or our creditors to discontinue operation
- technological innovations or new products and services by us or our competitors;
- announcements or press releases relating to the energy sector or to our business or prospects;
- additions or departures of key personnel;
- regulatory, legislative or other developments affecting us or the solar power industry generally;
- our ability to execute our business plan;
- operating results that fall below expectations;
- volume and timing of customer orders;
- industry developments;
- economic and other external factors; and
- period-to-period fluctuations in our financial results.

In addition, the securities markets have from time to time experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that are unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies. These market fluctuations may also significantly affect the market price of our common stock.

Table of Contents

Our stock is a penny stock and therefore may be less attractive to investors.

Our stock is considered to be a penny stock. The SEC has adopted rules that regulate broker-dealer practices in connection with transactions in penny stocks. Penny stocks are generally equity securities with a market price of less than \$5.00, other than securities registered on certain national securities exchanges or quoted on the NASDAQ system, provided that current price and volume information with respect to transactions in such securities is provided by the exchange or system. The penny stock rules require a broker-dealer, prior to a transaction in a penny stock, to deliver a standardized risk disclosure document prepared by the SEC, that: (a) contains a description of the nature and level of risk in the market for penny stocks in both public offerings and secondary trading; (b) contains a description of the broker's or dealer's duties to the customer and of the rights and remedies available to the customer with respect to a violation of such duties or other requirements of the securities laws; (c) contains a brief, clear, narrative description of a dealer market, including bid and ask prices for penny stocks and the significance of the spread between the bid and ask price; (d) contains a toll-free telephone number for inquiries on disciplinary actions; (e) defines significant terms in the disclosure document or in the conduct of trading in penny stocks; and (f) contains such other information and is in such form, including language, type size and format, as the SEC shall require by rule or regulation.

The broker-dealer also must provide, prior to effecting any transaction in a penny stock, the customer with: (a) bid and offer quotations for the penny stock; (b) the compensation of the broker-dealer and its salesperson in the transaction; (c) the number of shares to which such bid and ask prices apply, or other comparable information relating to the depth and liquidity of the market for such stock; and (d) a monthly account statement showing the market value of each penny stock held in the customer's account.

In addition, the penny stock rules require that prior to a transaction in a penny stock not otherwise exempt from those rules, the broker-dealer must make a special written determination that the penny stock is a suitable investment for the purchaser and receive the purchaser's written acknowledgment of the receipt of a risk disclosure statement, a written agreement as to transactions involving penny stocks, and a signed and dated copy of a written suitability statement.

These disclosure requirements may have the effect of reducing the trading activity for our common stock. Therefore, stockholders may have difficulty selling our securities.

RISKS RELATING TO OUR COMPANY

Our financial condition that does not currently allow for the growth needed to maintain our strategy of licensing solar power systems and re-entering the residential solar installation business.

Our cash on hand and receivables due to us, along with our current expenses, do not permit capital expenditure into the strategic areas of growth that we believe we need to invest in in order to increase revenue and target towards profitability. If we are not able to increase our revenue and eventually attain profitability, we will run short of funds and may decide to or may be forced to discontinue our operations.

We are subject to the reporting requirements of the federal securities laws, which impose additional burdens on us.

We are a public reporting company and, accordingly, subject to the information and reporting requirements of the Exchange Act and other federal securities laws, including compliance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. As a public company, these rules and regulations result in increased compliance costs and make certain activities more time consuming and costly.

Table of Contents

Our Certificate of Incorporation authorizes our board to create new series of preferred stock without further approval by our stockholders, which could adversely affect the rights of the holders of our common stock.

Our Board of Directors has the authority to fix and determine the relative rights and preferences of preferred stock. Our Board of Directors also has the authority to issue preferred stock without further stockholder approval. As a result, our Board of Directors could authorize the issuance of new series of preferred stock that would grant to holders the preferred right to our assets upon liquidation, the right to receive dividend payments before dividends are distributed to the holders of common stock and the right to the redemption of the shares, together with a premium, prior to the redemption of our common stock. In addition, our Board of Directors could authorize the issuance of new series of preferred stock that has greater voting power than our common stock or that is convertible into our common stock, which could decrease the relative voting power of our common stock or result in dilution to our existing stockholders.

Our recent increase in our authorized shares of common stock and our issuances of convertible notes could result in future dilution of our common stock.

If we sell additional equity or convertible debt securities, those sales could result in additional dilution to our stockholders. In addition, holders of our convertible notes have the right to convert their notes into shares of our Common Stock, subject to a blocker of 9.99% of our outstanding common stock which will result in substantial dilution to our stockholders. In addition, the increase in our number of authorized shares of common stock to 500,000,000 in September 2013 allows us to issue many more shares of common stock.

Future issuances of common shares may be adversely affected by the Equity Line.

The market price of our common stock could decline as a result of issuances and sales by us, including pursuant to the Equity Line under the December Equity Purchase Agreement, or sales by our existing shareholders, of common stock, or the perception that these issuances and sales could occur. Sales by our shareholders might also make it more difficult for us to issue and sell common stock at a time and price that we deem appropriate. It is likely that the sale of shares by Southridge will depress the market price of our common stock.

Draw downs under the December Equity Purchase Agreement may cause dilution to existing shareholders.

Under the terms of the December Equity Purchase Agreement, Southridge has committed to purchase up to \$5,000,000 worth of shares of our common stock. From time to time during the term of the December Equity Purchase Agreement, and at our sole discretion, we may present Southridge with a Draw Down Notice requiring Southridge to purchase shares of our common stock. The purchase price to be paid by Southridge will be 90% of the average of the daily VWAP during the Valuation Period. On the date the Draw Down Notice is delivered to Southridge, we are required to deliver an estimated amount of shares to Southridge's brokerage account equal to 125% of the Draw Down Amount indicated in the Draw Down Notice divided by the closing bid price of the trading day immediately prior to the date of the Draw Down Notice ("Estimated Shares"). The Valuation Period will begin the first trading day after the Estimated Shares have been delivered to Southridge's brokerage account and have been cleared for trading and terminate on the tenth day thereafter. At the end of the Valuation Period, if the number of Estimated Shares delivered to Southridge is greater than the shares issuable pursuant to a Draw Down, then Southridge is required to return to us the difference between the Estimated Shares and the actual number of shares issuable pursuant to the Draw Down. If the number of Estimated Shares is less than the shares issuable under the Draw Down, then we are required to issue additional shares to Southridge equal to the difference; provided that the number of shares to be purchased by Southridge may not exceed the number of shares that, when added to the number of shares of our common stock then beneficially owned by Southridge, would exceed 9.99% of our shares of common stock outstanding. As a result, our existing shareholders will experience immediate dilution upon the purchase of any of the

shares by Southridge. The issue and sale of the shares under the December Equity Purchase Agreement may also have an adverse effect on the market price of the common shares. Southridge may resell some, if not all, of the shares that we issue to it under the December Equity Purchase Agreement and such sales could cause the market price of the common stock to decline significantly. To the extent of any such decline, any subsequent puts would require us to issue and sell a greater number of shares to Southridge in exchange for each dollar of the put amount. Under these circumstances, the existing shareholders of our company will experience greater dilution. The effect of this dilution may, in turn, cause the price of our common stock to decrease further, both because of the downward pressure on the stock price that would be caused by a large number of sales of our shares into the public market by Southridge, and because our existing stockholders may disagree with a decision to sell shares to Southridge at a time when our stock price is low, and may in response decide to sell additional shares, further decreasing our stock price. If we draw down amounts under the Equity Line when our share price is decreasing, we will need to issue more shares to raise the same amount of funding.

Table of Contents

There is no guarantee that we will satisfy the conditions to the December Equity Purchase Agreement.

Although the December Equity Purchase Agreement provides that we can require Southridge to purchase, at our discretion, up to \$5,000,000 worth of shares of our common stock in the aggregate, there can be no assurances given that we will be able to satisfy the closing conditions applicable for each put. Further, there are limitations on the number of shares in that each draw down amount is limited to the lowest closing bid price during the Valuation Period, subject to the floor. In addition, the number of shares to be purchased by Southridge may not exceed the number of shares that, when added to the number of shares of our common stock then beneficially owned by Southridge, would exceed 9.99% of our shares of common stock outstanding. Other conditions include requiring that the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part remains effective at all times during the term of the December Equity Purchase Agreement, that there is no material adverse change to our business on the date of delivery of a Draw Down Notice and that our common stock continues to trade of the OTCQB. If we fail to satisfy the applicable closing conditions, we will not be able to sell the put shares to Southridge.

There is no guarantee that we will be able to fully utilize the Equity Line.

There are limitations on the number of put shares that may be sold in each put. The number of put shares that Southridge shall be obligated to purchase in a given put shall not exceed the number of shares that, when added to the number of shares of our common stock then beneficially owned by Southridge, would exceed 9.99% of our shares of common stock outstanding. Thus, our ability to access the bulk of the funds available under the December Equity Purchase Agreement depends in part on Southridge's resale of stock purchased from us in prior puts. If with regard to a particular put, the share volume limitation is reached, we will not be able to sell the proposed put shares to Southridge. Accordingly, the Equity Line may not be available at any given time to satisfy our funding needs.

Sales of put shares under the December Equity Purchase Agreement could result in the possibility of short sales.

Although Southridge has agreed not to enter into any "short sale" (as such term is defined in Rule 200 of Regulation SHO of the Exchange Act), of our common stock, the sale after delivery of a put notice of such number of shares of common stock reasonably expected to be purchased under a put notice is not deemed a "short sale." Accordingly, Southridge may enter into sales or other arrangements it deems appropriate with respect to shares of our common stock after it receives a put notice under the December Equity Purchase Agreement so long as such sales or arrangements do not involve more than the number of put shares expected to be purchased under the applicable put notice. Any downward pressure on the market price of our common stock due to the issue and sale of common stock under the Equity Line could encourage short sales. If the market price of our common stock decreases during the put period it will reduce the amount paid by Southridge for the put shares. In a short sale, a prospective seller borrows common shares from a shareholder or broker and sells the borrowed common shares. The prospective seller hopes that the common share market price will decline, at which time the seller can purchase common shares at a lower price for delivery back to the lender. The seller profits when the common share market price declines because it is purchasing common shares at a price lower than the sale price of the borrowed common shares. Such sales could place downward pressure on the market price of the common stock by increasing the number of common shares being sold, which could further contribute to any decline of the market price of the common shares.

There is uncertainty as to number of subscription shares and the amount Southridge will pay for the put shares.

The actual number of shares we will issue in any particular put or in total under the December Equity Purchase Agreement is uncertain. Subject to certain limitations in the December Equity Purchase Agreement, we have the discretion to give a put notice at any time throughout the term. The number of shares we must issue after giving a put

notice will fluctuate based on the market price of the common shares during the put pricing period. Southridge will receive more shares if the market price of our common stock declines. Since the price per share of each put share will fluctuate based on the market price of our common stock during the put pricing period, the actual amount Southridge will pay for the put shares included in any particular put will decrease if the market price of our common stock declines. On October 23, 2014, we submitted a take-down request for approximately \$51,000 pursuant to the terms of the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement. We issued a total 4,214,853 shares of our common at an average price of \$0.012 per share pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement. As of November 12, 2014, 2,528,912 shares have been sold at an average price of \$0.012 per share, resulting in total proceeds of approximately \$30,000.

Table of Contents

RISKS RELATING TO THIS OFFERING

Future issuances of common shares may be adversely affected by the Equity Line.

The market price of our common stock could decline as a result of issuances and sales by us, including pursuant to the Equity Line under the December Equity Purchase Agreement, or sales by our existing stockholders, of common stock, or the perception that these issuances and sales could occur. Sales by our stockholders might also make it more difficult for us to issue and sell common stock at a time and price that we deem appropriate. It is likely that the sale of shares by Southridge will depress the market price of our common stock.

Draw downs under the December Equity Purchase Agreement may cause dilution to existing shareholders.

Under the terms of the December Equity Purchase Agreement, Southridge has committed to purchase up to \$5,000,000 worth of shares of our common stock. From time to time during the term of the December Equity Purchase Agreement, and at our sole discretion, we may present Southridge with a Draw Down Notice requiring Southridge to purchase shares of our common stock. The purchase price to be paid by Southridge will be 90% of the average of the daily VWAP during the Valuation Period. On the date the Draw Down Notice is delivered to Southridge, we are required to deliver an estimated amount of shares to Southridge's brokerage account equal to 125% of the Draw Down Amount indicated in the Draw Down Notice divided by the closing bid price of the trading day immediately prior to the date of the Draw Down Notice ("Estimated Shares"). The Valuation Period will begin the first trading day after the Estimated Shares have been delivered to Southridge's brokerage account and have been cleared for trading and terminate on the tenth day thereafter. At the end of the Valuation Period, if the number of Estimated Shares delivered to Southridge is greater than the shares issuable pursuant to a Draw Down, then Southridge is required to return to us the difference between the Estimated Shares and the actual number of shares issuable pursuant to the Draw Down. If the number of Estimated Shares is less than the shares issuable under the Draw Down, then we are required to issue additional shares to Southridge equal to the difference; provided that the number of shares to be purchased by Southridge may not exceed the number of shares that, when added to the number of shares of our common stock then beneficially owned by Southridge, would exceed 9.99% of our shares of common stock outstanding. As a result, our existing stockholders will experience immediate dilution upon the purchase of any of the shares by Southridge. The issue and sale of the shares under the December Equity Purchase Agreement may also have an adverse effect on the market price of the common shares. Southridge may resell some, if not all, of the shares that we issue to it under the December Equity Purchase Agreement and such sales could cause the market price of the common stock to decline significantly. To the extent of any such decline, any subsequent puts would require us to issue and sell a greater number of shares to Southridge in exchange for each dollar of the put amount. Under these circumstances, the existing stockholders of our company will experience greater dilution. The effect of this dilution may, in turn, cause the price of our common stock to decrease further, both because of the downward pressure on the stock price that would be caused by a large number of sales of our shares into the public market by Southridge, and because our existing stockholders may disagree with a decision to sell shares to Southridge at a time when our stock price is low, and may in response decide to sell additional shares, further decreasing our stock price. If we draw down amounts under the Equity Line when our share price is decreasing, we will need to issue more shares to raise the same amount of funding.

There is no guarantee that we will satisfy the conditions to the December Equity Purchase Agreement.

Although the December Equity Purchase Agreement provides that we can require Southridge to purchase, at our discretion, up to \$5,000,000 worth of shares of our common stock in the aggregate, there can be no assurances given that we will be able to satisfy the closing conditions applicable for each put. Further, there are limitations on the

number of shares in that each draw down amount is limited to the lowest closing bid price during the Valuation Period, subject to the floor. In addition, the number of shares to be purchased by Southridge may not exceed the number of shares that, when added to the number of shares of our common stock then beneficially owned by Southridge, would exceed 9.99% of our shares of common stock outstanding. Other conditions include requiring that the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part remains effective at all times during the term of the December Equity Purchase Agreement, that there is no material adverse change to our business on the date of delivery of a Draw Down Notice and that our common stock continues to trade of the OTCQB. If we fail to satisfy the applicable closing conditions, we will not be able to sell the put shares to Southridge.

There is no guarantee that we will be able to fully utilize the Equity Line.

There are limitations on the number of put shares that may be sold in each put. The number of put shares that Southridge shall be obligated to purchase in a given put shall not exceed the number of shares that, when added to the number of shares of our common stock then beneficially owned by Southridge, would exceed 9.99% of our shares of common stock outstanding. Thus, our ability to access the bulk of the funds available under the December Equity Purchase Agreement depends in part on Southridge's resale of stock purchased from us in prior puts. If with regard to a particular put, the share volume limitation is reached, we will not be able to sell the proposed put shares to Southridge. Accordingly, the Equity Line may not be available at any given time to satisfy our funding needs.

Table of Contents

Sales of put shares under the December Equity Purchase Agreement could result in the possibility of short sales.

Although Southridge has agreed not to enter into any “short sale” (as such term is defined in Rule 200 of Regulation SHO of the Exchange Act), of our common stock, the sale after delivery of a put notice of such number of shares of common stock reasonably expected to be purchased under a put notice is not deemed a “short sale.” Accordingly, Southridge may enter into sales or other arrangements it deems appropriate with respect to shares of our common stock after it receives a put notice under the December Equity Purchase Agreement so long as such sales or arrangements do not involve more than the number of put shares expected to be purchased under the applicable put notice. Any downward pressure on the market price of our common stock due to the issue and sale of common stock under the Equity Line could encourage short sales. If the market price of our common stock decreases during the put period it will reduce the amount paid by Southridge for the put shares. In a short sale, a prospective seller borrows common shares from a stockholder or broker and sells the borrowed common shares. The prospective seller hopes that the common share market price will decline, at which time the seller can purchase common shares at a lower price for delivery back to the lender. The seller profits when the common share market price declines because it is purchasing common shares at a price lower than the sale price of the borrowed common shares. Such sales could place downward pressure on the market price of the common stock by increasing the number of common shares being sold, which could further contribute to any decline of the market price of the common shares.

There is uncertainty as to number of subscription shares and the amount Southridge will pay for the put shares.

The actual number of shares we will issue in any particular put or in total under the December Equity Purchase Agreement is uncertain. Subject to certain limitations in the December Equity Purchase Agreement, we have the discretion to give a put notice at any time throughout the term. The number of shares we must issue after giving a put notice will fluctuate based on the market price of the common shares during the put pricing period. Southridge will receive more shares if the market price of our common stock declines. Since the price per share of each put share will fluctuate based on the market price of our common stock during the put pricing period, the actual amount Southridge will pay for the put shares included in any particular put will decrease if the market price of our common stock declines. Based on our current market price on January 8, 2015 of \$0.0179, if we put all 85,000,000 shares to Southridge (ignoring all caps on the number of shares of common stock that Southridge can own), we would receive \$1,521,500.

Table of Contents

USE OF PROCEEDS

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the common stock by the selling security holder pursuant to this prospectus. All proceeds from the sale of the shares will be for the account of the selling security holder.

We have agreed to bear the expenses relating to the registration of the shares for the selling security holder. We anticipate receiving proceeds from any “puts” tendered to Southridge under the Equity Line. Such proceeds from the Equity Line are intended to be used approximately as follows: to fund our research and development, marketing and advertising, distribution efforts, technology development, product line expansion and enhancement and working capital needs.

Table of Contents

DILUTION

Although the fixed offering price of \$0.0179 was based on the closing price of our shares of common stock as listed on the OTCQB on January 8, 2015, it may not be the actual sales price of the shares registered hereunder at the time they are sold, if shares were to be sold at such price, investors would experience an immediate and substantial dilution in the projected net tangible book value of the common stock from the price that the investors in our recent private placement offering. The net tangible book value of our common stock as of September 30, 2014 was (\$4,301,000), or (\$0.0173) per share of common stock. Net tangible book value per share is equal to our total tangible assets, less total liabilities, divided by the number of shares of common stock outstanding. If you buy stock registered in this offering at \$0.0179 per share, you will pay substantially more than our current common stockholders paid for their shares. The difference between the public offering price per share and the pro forma net tangible book value per share of our common stock after this offering constitutes the dilution to investors in this offering.

The following table illustrates the dilution to the new investors on a per-share basis:

Public offering price		\$0.0179
Net tangible book value per share as of September 30, 2014	\$(0.0173)	
Increase in net tangible book value per share attributable to new investors	0.0084	
Net tangible book value per share after offering		(0.0089)
Dilution per share to new investors in this offering		\$0.0268

The following table sets forth potential shares of common stock as of September 30, 2014, that are not included in the calculation of the above dilution calculation:

	September 30, 2014
Stock options outstanding	22,050,733
Unvested restricted stock	7,186
Warrants to purchase common stock	22,148,045

Table of Contents

DETERMINATION OF OFFERING PRICE

The offering price for the shares sold to Southridge under the put will equal 90% of the average of the daily VWAP during the Valuation Period. To the extent that the disparity between the offering price and market price of the common stock is material, such disparity was determined by our company to be fair in consideration of Southridge establishing a line of credit to facilitate our ongoing operations.

December Equity Purchase Agreement

We entered into the December Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge on December 10, 2014, which superseded our prior Equity Purchase Agreements that we had entered into on January 23, 2014 and terminated on December 9, 2014. Pursuant to the December Equity Purchase Agreement, Southridge has committed to purchase up to \$5,000,000 worth of our common stock, over a period of time terminating on the earlier of: (i) 18 months from the effective date of a registration statement to be filed in connection therewith; or (ii) the date on which Southridge has purchased shares of our common stock pursuant to the December Equity Purchase Agreement for an aggregate maximum purchase price of \$5,000,000; such commitment is subject to certain conditions, including limitations based on the trading volume of our common stock. The aggregate number of shares issuable by us and purchasable by Southridge pursuant to the December Equity Purchase Agreement is \$5,000,000 worth of stock, which was determined by our board of directors.

We may draw on the facility from time to time, as and when we determine appropriate in accordance with the terms and conditions of the December Equity Purchase Agreement. The purchase price to be paid by Southridge will be 90% of the average of the daily VWAP during the Valuation Period. On the date the Draw Down Notice is delivered to Southridge, we are required to deliver an estimated amount of shares to Southridge's brokerage account equal to 125% of the Draw Down Amount indicated in the Draw Down Notice divided by the closing bid price of the trading day immediately prior to the date of the Draw Down Notice ("Estimated Shares"). The Valuation Period shall begin the first trading day after the Estimated Shares have been delivered to Southridge's brokerage account and have been cleared for trading and terminate on the tenth day thereafter. At the end of the Valuation Period, if the number of Estimated Shares delivered to Southridge is greater than the shares issuable pursuant to a Draw Down, then Southridge is required to return to us the difference between the Estimated Shares and the actual number of shares issuable pursuant to the Draw Down. If the number of Estimated Shares is less than the shares issuable under the Draw Down, then we are required to issue additional shares to Southridge equal to the difference; provided that the number of shares to be purchased by Southridge may not exceed the number of shares that, when added to the number of shares of our common stock then beneficially owned by Southridge, would exceed 9.99% of our shares of common stock outstanding. As a result, our existing stockholders will experience immediate dilution upon the purchase of any of the shares by Southridge. If we fail to satisfy the applicable closing conditions, we will not be able to sell the put shares to Southridge. Southridge's obligations under the Equity Line are not transferable.

There are put restrictions applied on days between the put notice date and the closing date with respect to that particular put. During such time, we are not entitled to deliver another put notice.

Table of Contents

There are circumstances under which we will not be entitled to put shares to Southridge, including the following:

we will not be entitled to put shares to Southridge unless there is an effective registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), to cover the resale of the shares by Southridge;

we will not be entitled to put shares to Southridge unless our common stock continues to be quoted on the OTC-QB and has not been suspended from trading;

we will not be entitled to put shares to Southridge if an injunction shall have been issued and remain in force against us, or action commenced by a governmental authority which has not been stayed or abandoned, prohibiting the purchase or the issuance of the shares to Southridge;

we will not be entitled to put shares to Southridge if we have not complied with our obligations and are otherwise in breach of or in default under, the December Equity Purchase Agreement, our registration rights agreement with Southridge (the “Registration Rights Agreement”) or any other agreement executed in connection therewith with Southridge;

we will not be entitled to put shares to Southridge to the extent that such shares would cause Southridge’s beneficial ownership to exceed 9.99% of our outstanding shares; and

we will not be entitled to put shares to Southridge if we take any of the following actions on any trading day after a Draw Down Notice is delivered:

- (a) subdivide or combine shares of common stock;
- (b) pay a dividend in shares of common stock or make any other distribution of shares of common stock, except for dividends paid with respect to any series of preferred stock authorized by us, whether existing now or in the future;
- (c) issue any options or other rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of common stock other than pursuant to the December Equity Purchase Agreement, and other than options or stock grants issued or issuable to directors, officers and employees pursuant to a stock option program, whereby the price per share for which shares of common stock may at any time thereafter be issuable pursuant to such options or other rights shall be less than the closing bid price in effect immediately prior to such issuance;
- (d) issue any securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of common stock and the consideration per share for which shares of common stock may at any time thereafter be issuable pursuant to the terms of such convertible or exchangeable securities shall be less than the closing bid price in effect immediately prior to such issuance;
- (e) issue shares of common stock otherwise than as provided in the foregoing subsections (a) through (d), at a price per share less, or for other consideration lower, than the closing bid price in effect immediately prior to such issuance, or without consideration; or
- (f) make a distribution of our assets or evidences of indebtedness to the holders of common stock as a dividend in liquidation or by way of return of capital or other than as a dividend payable out of earnings or surplus legally available for dividends under applicable law or any distribution to such holders made in respect of the sale of all or substantially all of our assets (other than under the circumstances provided for in the foregoing subsections (a) through (e)).

The December Equity Purchase Agreement further provides that Southridge is entitled to customary indemnification from us for any losses or liabilities it suffers as a result of any material misrepresentation, breach of warranty or nonfulfillment of or a failure to perform any material covenant or agreement contained in the December Equity Purchase Agreement.

The December Equity Purchase Agreement also contains representations and warranties of each of the parties. The assertions embodied in those representations and warranties were made for purposes of the December Equity Purchase Agreement and are subject to qualifications and limitations agreed to by the parties in connection with negotiating the terms of the December Equity Purchase Agreement. In addition, certain representations and warranties were made as of a specific date, may be subject to a contractual standard of materiality different from what a stockholder or investor might view as material, or may have been used for purposes of allocating risk between the respective parties rather than establishing matters as facts.

Pursuant to the terms of the December Equity Purchase Agreement we agreed to pay Southridge a commitment fee of 1,000,000 shares of our common stock (having a value of \$17,900 based upon the closing price of our common stock on January 8, 2015), of which 500,000 shares of our common stock will be issued to Southridge on the date that the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part is declared effective and the remaining 500,000 shares of common stock will be issued on the date that we deliver our first Draw Down Notice to Southridge. None of the commitment fees are included in the 85,000,000 shares of common stock being registered under the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Southridge has agreed that any time prior to the termination of the December Equity Purchase Agreement neither it nor any of its affiliates shall engage in or enter into, directly or indirectly, any short-sale of our common stock or any hedging transaction that establishes a net short position in our common stock.

Table of Contents

Dilutive Effects

Under the December Equity Purchase Agreement, the purchase price of the shares to be sold to Southridge will be at a price equal to 90% of the lowest closing bid price during the Valuation Period. The table below illustrates an issuance of shares of common stock to Southridge under the December Equity Purchase Agreement for a hypothetical draw down amount of \$50,000, assuming the lowest closing bid price during the Valuation Period of \$0.0179 per share.

Draw Down Amount	Price to be Paid by Southridge	Number of Shares to be Issued
\$50,000	\$45,000	2,513,966

By comparison, if the lowest closing bid price during the Valuation Period was \$0.0150 per share, the number of shares that we would be required to issue in order to have the same draw down amount of \$50,000 would be greater, as shown by the following table:

Draw Down Amount	Price to be Paid by Southridge	Number of Shares to be Issued
\$50,000	\$45,000	3,000,000

Accordingly, there would be dilution of an additional 486,034 shares issued due to a lowering of the stock price by \$0.005 per share. In effect, if we are interested in receiving a fixed funding amount, a lower price per share of our common stock means a higher number of shares to be issued to Southridge in order to receive that fixed funding amount, which equates to greater dilution of existing stockholders. The effect of this dilution may, in turn, cause the price of our common stock to decrease further, both because of the downward pressure on the stock price that would be caused by a large number of sales of our shares into the public market by Southridge, and because our existing stockholders may disagree with a decision to sell shares to Southridge at a time when our stock price is low, and may in response decide to sell additional numbers of shares, further decreasing our stock price.

The actual number of shares that will be issued to Southridge under the Equity Line will depend upon the market price of our common stock at the time of our puts to Southridge.

Table of Contents

Likelihood of Accessing the Full Amount of the Equity Line

Notwithstanding that the Equity Line is in an amount of \$5,000,000, we anticipate that the actual likelihood that we will be able access the full \$5,000,000 is low due to several factors, including that our ability to access the Equity Line is limited by share volume restrictions and impacted by our stock price. If the price of our stock remains at \$.0150 per share, the sale of all of the shares registered in this prospectus will result in our sale of \$1,275,000 of the \$5,000,000 in this registration statement. Our use of the Equity Line will continue to be limited and restricted if our share trading volume and/or and market price of our stock continue at their current levels or decrease further in the future from the volume and stock prices reported over the past year.

The 85,000,000 shares which we determined to register in this registration statement, represents approximately one third of our public float (after subtracting the holdings of insiders and controlling stockholders) and utilizes \$1,321,450 (or 26.4%) of the \$5,000,000 available under the Equity Funding Facility, based on the closing price of our common stock of \$0.0179 on January 8, 2015. If the market price of our stock should increase above \$0.02 per share then the 85,000,000 shares registered hereby would enable us to use an additional portion, up to the full \$5,000,000, to the extent of the rise in the market price above \$0.02. Conversely, if the market price of our stock should decrease for any reason, then the 85,000,000 shares registered hereby would enable us to use less than \$1,521,500 to the extent of the decline in our market price below \$0.0179. If the market price of our stock would increase to \$.06 a share, then at \$.06 per share, if we were able to sell all 83,333,300 shares we would receive \$5,000,000 in proceeds. During 2014, the closing price for our stock has ranged from \$0.01 to \$0.05 per share and has been at \$0.03 per share for a large portion of the months of February through June and \$.02 per share recently. While we believe our stock price is currently undervalued at \$0.0179 and that our prior issues with our supplier, which had directly and adversely impacted our operations and since been resolved, will no longer be a drag on our stock performance, no assurance can be given that the volume and/or market price of stock will increase (and/or not decline) from current levels to permit us to utilize the full amount of the Equity Line. Our daily trading volume for the last several months has been to a large extent in excess of 1,000,000 shares. For us to utilize the full \$5,000,000 through the sale of all 85,000,000 shares being registered our stock price would need to increase to close to \$0.06 a share. If we are able to sell all 85,000,000 shares of common stock at a price per share below \$0.06, we may consider registering additional shares for sale under the Equity Line. If we are unable to fully use the Equity Line we will need to find alternative sources of funding or we may need to scale back our operations until such time as we have sufficient revenue to support increased operations. We currently have insufficient cash to operate our business at the current level for the next twelve months and insufficient cash to achieve our business goals. We require additional working capital to fund purchases of solar panels and microinverters and to cover our payroll and lease expenses. During the first nine months of 2014 we had limited sales revenue due to a changing business model and raised \$684,000 through sales under our prior equity lien that we terminated in December 9, 2014. If we are unable to use our Equity Line there can be no assurance that alternative sources of funding will be available upon acceptable terms.

BUSINESS

We are a designer and manufacturer of integrated solar power systems and solar panels with integrated microinverters (which we call AC solar panels). We design, market and sell these solar power systems to solar installers and do-it-yourself customers in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and South America through distribution partnerships, our dealer network and retail outlets. Our products are designed for use in solar power systems for residential and commercial rooftop customers. Prior to September 2010, we were also in the solar power installation business, but decided to exit that business. Recently we have re-entered the solar power installation business.

In September 2007, we introduced our “plug and play” solar panel technology (under the brand name “Andalay”), which we believe significantly reduces the installation time and costs, and provides superior reliability and aesthetics, when

compared to other solar panel mounting products and technology. Our panel technology offers the following features: (i) mounts closer to the roof with less space in between panels; (ii) no unsightly racks underneath or beside panels; (iii) built-in wiring connections; (iv) approximately 70% fewer roof-assembled parts and approximately 50% less roof-top labor required; (v) approximately 25% fewer roof attachment points; (vi) complete compliance with the National Electric Code and UL wiring and grounding requirements. We have six U.S. patents (Patent No. 7,406,800, Patent No. 7,832,157, Patent No. 7,866,098, Patent No. 7,987,614 and Patent No. 8,505,248) that cover key aspects of our Andalay solar panel technology, as well as U.S. Trademark No. 3481373 for registration of the mark “Andalay.” In addition to these U.S. patents, we have 7 foreign patents. Currently, we have 12 issued patents and 15 other pending U.S. and foreign patent applications that cover the Andalay technology working their way through the USPTO and foreign patent offices.

In February 2009, we announced a strategic relationship with Enphase, a leading manufacturer of microinverters, to develop and market solar panel systems with ordinary AC house current output instead of high voltage DC output. We introduced Andalay AC panel products and began offering them to our customers in the second quarter of 2009. Andalay AC panels cost less to install, are safer, and generally provide higher energy output than ordinary DC panels. Andalay AC panels deliver 5-25% more energy compared to ordinary panels, produce safe household AC power, and have built-in panel level monitoring, racking, wiring, grounding and microinverters. With 80% fewer parts and 5 – 25% better performance than ordinary DC panels, we believe Andalay AC panels are an ideal solution for solar installers and do-it-yourself customers.

Table of Contents

On May 7, 2012, we announced the execution of an agreement and plan of merger with CBD Energy Limited, an Australian corporation (CBD), which contemplated a merger in which CBD would become our parent company. The targeted completion of the merger was repeatedly delayed and on July 18, 2013 we terminated the merger. During such merger delays, our supply relationships had been disrupted, leading to a significant decline in our revenue and the implementation of significant cost reductions, including the lay-off of employees during the time we pursued the merger. Since the termination of the merger, we have been committed to focus our attention on rebuilding our core business, expanding our current product offering and exploring strategic opportunities.

On May 30, 2013, we entered into a supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd, (EEG) an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013. In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Tianwei New Energy Co, Ltd., (Tianwei) a panel supplier located in China. We began receiving initial shipments from Tianwei in February 2014.

On July 16, 2014, we entered into an agreement for supply of solar PV modules with Auxin Solar Inc. These modules are assembled in the United States and we received the first slate of panels in November 2014.

Prior to September 2010, we were also in the solar power system installation business and we had completed over 4,300 solar power installations for customers in California, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Colorado and Connecticut since the commencement of our operations in 2001. In early 2009, we closed our non-California offices on the east coast and in Colorado and began distributing our solar power systems to customers outside of California. In September 2010, we made the strategic decision to exit our California solar panel installation business and expand our solar panel distribution network to dealers and other installers in California, by far the largest solar market in the United States. However, we recently made the decision to re-enter the solar panel installation business. Our business is now focused on design and manufacturing activities, and sales of our solar power systems to solar installers, trade workers and retailers through distribution partnerships, our dealer network and retail home improvement outlets as well as installation of our panels.

We were incorporated in February 2001 as Akeena Solar, Inc. in the State of California and elected at that time to be taxed as an S corporation. During June 2006, we reincorporated in the State of Delaware and became a C corporation. On August 11, 2006, we entered into a reverse merger transaction with Fairview Energy Corporation, Inc. (“Fairview”). Pursuant to the merger, our stockholders received one share of Fairview common stock for each issued and outstanding share of our common stock. Our common shares were also adjusted from \$0.01 par value to \$0.001 par value at the time of the Merger. On May 17, 2010, we entered into an exclusive worldwide license agreement with Westinghouse, Inc, which permitted us to manufacture, distribute and market solar panels under the Westinghouse name and in connection therewith, on April 6, 2011, we changed our name to Westinghouse Solar, Inc. On April 13, 2011, we effected a reverse split of our common stock at a ratio of 1 – for – 4. On August 23, 2013, the license agreement with Westinghouse, Inc. was terminated and on September 19, 2013, we changed our name to our current name, Andalay Solar, Inc. and increased our number of authorized shares of common stock to 500,000,000.

Our Corporate headquarters is located at 2071 Ringwood Ave., Unit C, San Jose, CA 95131. Our telephone number is (408) 402-9400. Additional information about us is available on our website at <http://www.andalaysolar.com>. The information on our web site is not incorporated herein by reference.

Strategy

Our philosophy is simple: “we believe that producing clean electricity directly from the sun is the right thing to do for our environment and economy.” Since our founding, we have concentrated on serving the solar power needs of residential and commercial customers tied to the electric power grid.

The solar power industry is rapidly evolving, but is still at an early stage and is highly fragmented. The prospects for long-term worldwide demand for solar power have attracted many new solar panel manufacturers, as well as a multitude of design/integration companies. We expect the commodity manufacturing segment of the industry to consolidate as more solar panel manufacturing capacity comes online.

The solar power industry is evolving and worldwide demand for residential and commercial solar systems continues to grow rapidly. More manufacturers of solar panels and mounting systems have entered the market and competition is increasingly intense in developing products and solutions which enable lower and lower-cost installations.

Accordingly, our strategy has evolved and now primarily focuses on the following:

- Developing and commercializing our solar panel technology optimized for the residential and commercial markets.
- Introducing our patented solar panel technology to the marketplace primarily through licensing agreements with bankable, top tier panel manufacturers, rather than our previous strategy of manufacturing under our own brand name via OEM suppliers.
- Focusing on growing top line revenue and gross margins from the sale of our proprietary mounting hardware.
- Reducing installation costs and improving the aesthetics and performance of solar systems compared to ordinary, commercially available solar equipment.
- Re-entering the solar power installation business in California in order to showcase best-practices for installation of our products and thereby accelerate the adoption of our products into the marketplace.

Management believes the strategy articulated above leverages the company’s strengths under the current market conditions.

Table of Contents

Industry

Electric power is used to operate businesses, industries, homes and offices and provides the power for our communications, entertainment, transportation and medical needs. As our energy supply and distribution mix changes, electricity is likely to be used more for local transportation (electric vehicles) and space/water heating needs.

According to a 2013 report from the U.S. Energy Information Administration (http://www.eia.gov/energy_in_brief/article/renewable_electricity.cfm), electricity in the U.S. is generated from the following: coal – 39%, natural gas – 27%, nuclear – 19%, oil – 1%, with renewable energy contributing 13%. “Renewable Energy” typically refers to non-traditional energy sources, including hydroelectric, wind and solar energy. Due to continuously increasing energy demands, we believe the electric power industry faces the following challenges:

- Limited Energy Supplies. The primary fuels that have supplied this industry, fossil fuels in the form of oil, coal and natural gas, are limited. Worldwide demand is increasing at a time that industry experts have concluded that supply is limited. Therefore, the increased demand will probably result in increased prices, making it more likely that long-term average costs for electricity will continue to increase.
- Generation, Transmission and Distribution Infrastructure Costs. Historically, electricity has been generated in centralized power plants transmitted over high voltage lines, and distributed locally through lower voltage transmission lines and transformer equipment. As electricity needs increase, these systems will need to be expanded. Without further investments in this infrastructure, the likelihood of power shortages (“brownouts” and “blackouts”) may increase.
- Stability of Suppliers. Since many of the major countries who supply fossil fuel are located in unstable regions of the world, purchasing oil and natural gas from these countries may increase the risk of supply shortages and cost increases.
- Environmental Concerns and Climate Change. Concerns about global warming and greenhouse gas emissions has resulted in the Kyoto Protocol, various states enacting stricter emissions control laws and utilities being required to comply with Renewable Portfolio Standards, which require the purchase of a certain amount of power from renewable sources. Currently, within the U.S., there are approximately 30 states with established RPS standards.

Solar energy is the underlying energy source for renewable fuel sources, including biomass fuels and hydroelectric energy. By extracting energy directly from the sun and converting it into an immediately usable form, either as heat or electricity, intermediate steps are eliminated. We believe, in this sense, solar energy is one of the most direct and unlimited energy sources.

Solar energy can be converted into usable forms of energy either through the photovoltaic effect (generating electricity from photons) or by generating heat (solar thermal energy). Solar thermal systems include traditional domestic hot water collectors (DHW), swimming pool collectors, and high temperature thermal collectors (used to generate electricity in central generating systems). DHW thermal systems are typically distributed on rooftops so that they generate heat for the building on which they are situated. High temperature thermal collectors typically use concentrating mirror systems and are typically located in remote sites.

Table of Contents

Anatomy of a Solar Power System

Solar power systems convert the energy in sunlight directly into electrical energy within solar cells based on the photovoltaic effect. Multiple solar cells, which produce DC power, are electrically interconnected into solar panels. A typical 250 watt solar panel may have 60 individual solar cells. Multiple solar panels are electrically wired together. The number of solar panels installed on a building are generally selected to meet that building's annual electrical usage, or selected to fill available un-shaded roof or ground space.

Ordinary solar power systems have solar panels that are electrically wired to a central inverter, which converts the power from DC to AC and interconnects with the utility grid. The following diagram schematically shows an ordinary DC solar power system:

Table of Contents

Andalay Solar AC-ready panels integrate micro-inverters that produce AC power, eliminating the need for a central inverter. The following diagram schematically shows a typical Andalay Solar AC solar power system.

Solar Electric Cells. Solar electric cells convert light energy into electricity at the atomic level. The conversion efficiency of a solar electric cell is defined as the ratio of the sunlight energy that hits the cell divided by the electrical energy that is produced by the cell. By improving this efficiency, we believe solar electric energy becomes competitive with fossil fuel sources. The earliest solar electric devices converted about 1%-2% of sunlight energy into electric energy. Current solar electric devices convert 5%-25% of light energy into electric energy (the overall efficiency for solar panels is lower than solar cells because of the panel frame and gaps between solar cells), and current mass produced panel systems are substantially less expensive than earlier systems. Effort in the industry is currently being directed towards the development of new solar cell technology to reduce per watt costs and increase area efficiencies.

Solar Panels. Solar electric panels are composed of multiple solar cells, along with the necessary internal wiring, aluminum and glass framework, and external electrical connections. Although panels are usually installed on top of a roof or on an external structure, certain designs include the solar electric cells as part of traditional building materials, such as shingles and rolled out roofing. Solar electric cells integrated with traditional shingles is usually most compatible with masonry roofs and, while it may offset costs for other building materials and be aesthetically appealing, it is generally more expensive than traditional panels. Our design integrates racking wiring and grounding components directly into the panel resulting in an integrated solution that reduces by 80%, the amount of rooftop solar components resulting in a solar power system that reduces the amount of field assembly, thereby increasing reliability and performance, while providing a better looking design.

Inverters. Inverters convert the DC power from solar panels to the AC power used in buildings. Grid-tie inverters synchronize to utility voltage and frequency and only operate when utility power is stable (in the case of a power failure these grid-tie inverters shut down to safeguard utility personnel from possible harm during repairs). Inverters also operate to maximize the power extracted from the solar panels, regulating the voltage and current output of the solar array based on sun intensity. Our solution can incorporate an integrated micro-inverter on each panel which improves system performance, is more reliable, safer for installers and homeowners, and reduces the amount of installation labor.

Table of Contents

Monitoring. There are two basic approaches to access information on the performance of a solar power system. DC systems with central inverters collect the solar power performance data from the central inverter and then transmit that data to a digital hardware display. AC systems utilizing microinverters collect the solar power performance data of each panel and transmit panel-level and combined system data via the internet to a centralized database. AC system data on the performance of each panel and total system can then be accessed from any device with a web browser, including personal computers and cell phones.

Net Metering. The owner of a grid-connected solar electric system may not only buy, but may also sell, electricity each month. This is because electricity generated by the solar electric system can be used on-site or fed through a meter into the utility grid. Utilities are required to buy power from owners of solar electric systems (and other independent producers of electricity) under the Public Utilities Regulatory Policy Act of 1978 (PURPA). When a home or business requires more electricity than the solar power array is generating (for example, in the evening), the need is automatically met by power from the utility grid. When a home or business requires less electricity than the solar electric system is generating, the excess is fed (or sold) back to the utility and the electric meter actually spins backwards. Used this way, the utility serves as a backup to the solar system similar to the way in which batteries serve as a backup in stand-alone systems.

Solar Power Benefits

The direct conversion of light into energy offers the following benefits compared to conventional energy sources:

- **Economic** — Once a solar power system is installed, the cost of generating electricity is fixed over the lifespan of the system. There are no risks that fuel prices will escalate or fuel shortages will develop. In addition, cash paybacks for systems range from 5 to 25 years, depending on the level of state and federal incentives, electric rates, annualized sun intensity and installation costs. Solar power systems at customer sites generally qualify for net metering to offset a customer's highest electric rate tiers, at the retail, as opposed to the wholesale, electric rate.
- **Convenience** — Solar power systems can be installed on a wide range of sites, including small residential roofs, the ground, covered parking structures and large industrial buildings. Solar power systems also have few, if any, moving parts and are generally guaranteed to operate for 20-25 years resulting, we believe, in low maintenance and operating costs and reliability compared to other forms of power generation.
- **Environmental** — We believe solar power systems are one of the most environmentally friendly ways of generating electricity. There are no harmful greenhouse gas emissions, no wasted water, no noise, no waste generation and no particulates. Such benefits continue for the life of the system.
- **Security** — Producing solar power improves energy security both on an international level (by reducing fossil energy purchases from hostile countries) and a local level (by reducing power strains on local electrical transmission and distribution systems).
- **Infrastructure** — Solar power systems can be installed at the site where the power is to be used, thereby reducing electrical transmission and distribution costs. Solar power systems installed and operating at customer sites may also save the cost of construction of additional energy infrastructure including power plants, transmission lines, distribution systems and operating costs.

Table of Contents

We believe escalating fuel costs, environmental concerns and energy security make it likely that the demand for solar power systems will continue to grow. The federal government, and several states, have put a variety of incentive programs in place that directly spur the installation of grid-tied solar power systems, so that customers will “purchase” their own power generating system rather than “renting” power from a local utility. These programs include:

- Rebates — to customers (or to installers) to reduce the initial cost of the solar power system, generally based on the size of the system. Many states have rebates that can substantially reduce initial costs.
- Tax Credits — federal and state income tax offsets directly reducing ordinary income tax. There is currently a 30% federal tax credit for solar power systems.
- Accelerated Depreciation — solar power systems installed for businesses (including applicable home offices) are generally eligible for accelerated depreciation.
- Net Metering — provides a full retail credit for energy generated.
- Feed-in Tariffs — are additional credits to consumers based on how much energy their solar power system generates. Feed-in Tariffs set at appropriate rates have been successfully used in Europe to accelerate growth.
- Renewable Portfolio Standards — require utilities to deliver a certain percentage of power generated from renewable energy sources.
- Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) — are additional credits provided to customers based on the amount of renewable energy they produce.
- Solar Rights Acts — state laws to prevent unreasonable restrictions on solar power systems. California’s Solar Rights Act has been updated several times in past years to make it easier for customers of all types and in all locations to install a solar power system.
- PPA's — Power Purchase Agreements, or agreements between a solar power system purchaser and an electricity user under which electricity is sold/purchased on a long-term basis.
- Leases — in which the solar equipment is owned by a third party entity and repaid over time by the host customer.

Challenges Facing the Solar Power Industry

We believe the solar power industry faces three key challenges:

- Customer Economics — In many cases, the net (after applicable incentives) cost to customers for electricity produced by a solar power system at the customer’s site is comparable to conventional, utility-generated power. We believe lower equipment (primarily solar panels) and installation costs would reduce the total cost of a system and increase the potential market for solar power.
- System Performance and Reliability — We believe that a design that incorporates factory assembly of an integrated solar power system versus field assembly provides a more reliable solution. A system with these characteristics will deliver improved system performance and allow the customer to achieve the shortest possible payback.
- Aesthetics — We believe that customers prefer solar panels that blend into existing roof surfaces with fewer shiny parts, mounted closely to the roof surface and have more of a “skylight” appearance than the traditional rooftop metal framed solar panels raised off the roof.

Table of Contents

Competition

The integrated solar panel design industry is in its early stages of development and is highly fragmented, consisting of many large and small companies. In the United States, there are many small residential solar installers, and a few large ones with dominant market share, including Solar City, Verengo, and Vivint. In October 2013, Solar City acquired Zep Solar, which also competed in the integrated solar panel design business for approximately One Hundred and Fifty Million Dollars.

We believe the principal competitive factors in the integrated solar panel design industry and solar power installation industry include:

- Quality;
- Price;
- Installation cost; and
- Company reputation

We believe that our competitive advantages as a designer of integrated solar panels include:

- **Integrated DC and AC Panels Dramatically Reduce Installation Costs.** Our technology significantly reduces the installation complexity, parts and costs, as well as providing superior reliability and aesthetics for customers when compared to other solar panel mounting products and technology. In 2007 we introduced our DC panels, which offer the following advantages to our customers: (i) low profile panel design looks like a beautiful, energy producing skylight and eliminates unsightly racking and exposed wires; (ii) built-in wiring connections that improve reliability; (iii) 70% fewer roof-assembled parts and 50% less roof-top labor required; (iv) 25% fewer roof attachment points; (v) complete compliance with the National Electric Code and UL wiring and grounding requirements. In 2009 we introduced our AC panels, which deliver 5-25% more energy compared to ordinary panels, produce safe household AC power and have built-in panel level monitoring, racking, wiring, grounding and microinverters. With 80% fewer parts and 5 – 25% better performance than ordinary DC panels, we believe our AC panels are an ideal solution for solar installers, trade workers and do-it-yourself customers.
- **Proprietary Technology.** We have received five U.S. patents and seven international patents for our technology, and have 12 more U.S. and foreign patents pending.
- **Brand Recognition.** We are working to rapidly expand our distribution business and sales of our Andalay Solar Power Systems. We are seeking emphasize that our solar panels are safer, more reliable and easier to install than other products on the market today.

Our Services and Products

We are active in the solar power industry as a designer and installer of solar power systems. We specify the design of integrated solar panels and contract with existing, experienced solar panel manufacturers for the supply of solar panels. We help these manufacturing partners source unique components of our panels (typically microinverters and special frame hardware).

Table of Contents

Our Solar Panel Technology

Based on our previous experience as a solar power installer, we believe we understand certain areas in which costs for installations can be significantly reduced. In September 2007, we introduced a new “plug and play” solar panel technology, originally launched under the brand name Andalay, which we believe significantly reduces the installation time and costs, as well as providing superior reliability and aesthetics, when compared to other solar panels.

Installation costs for a solar power system are generally proportional to the area of panels installed. Thin film and amorphous solar cell technologies, although offering solar panels that are less expensive on a cost per watt basis, are generally less efficient (producing fewer watts per square foot) and correspondingly more expensive to install. Therefore, we believe that our technology becomes even more useful for the new generation of less expensive but lower efficiency solar panels. Our panel technology is generally applicable to all framed rooftop solar cell technologies, including silicon, amorphous silicon, thin film and concentrators.

Customers

In 2014, we design, market and sell to solar installers and do-it-yourself customers across the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and South America through distribution partnerships, our dealer network and retail outlets. Our products are designed for use in solar power systems for residential and commercial rooftops customers. Our Authorized Dealer program provides installation companies with the opportunity to differentiate themselves from ordinary solar installers through product and program offerings we extend exclusively to our established Dealers. Our dealers benefit from the ability to leverage our brand, and leverage critical marketing support to help them grow their business.

Suppliers

Historically, we obtained virtually all of our solar panels from Suntech and Lightway. During 2012, because of our cash position and liquidity constraints, we were late in making payments to both of these suppliers. We currently have no unshipped orders from Suntech or Lightway. In May 2013, we entered into a new supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd (“EEG”), an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013. In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Tianwei a panel supplier located in China. We did receive product from Tianwei in February 2014 but that supply is now discontinued. In July 2014 we entered into a supply agreement with Auxin Solar for supply of their “Assembled in the USA” solar panels and we expect to start receipt of those panels in November 2014. Pursuant to our agreement with Enphase, they provide us with micro-inverters. We purchase small assembly, racking and packaging components from a variety of domestic and foreign suppliers.

Sales and Marketing

Our sales and marketing program incorporates a marketing mix of print, web, social and other media advertisements as well as participation in industry trade shows and individual discussions with prospective dealers. As we onboard dealers under our sales and marketing program, we rely on the skill of our sales team. We regularly evaluate the effectiveness of our sales team and marketing efforts using sales management software and make tactical marketing and sales changes as indicated to achieve and maintain cost effectiveness.

Table of Contents

Intellectual Property

Andalay Solar Panel

We have six U.S. patents (Patent No. 7,406,800, Patent No. 7,832,157, Patent No. 7,866,098, Patent No. 7,987,614, Patent No. 8,505,248 and Patent 8,813,460 B2) that cover key aspects of our Andalay solar panel technology, as well as U.S. Trademark No. 3481373 for registration of the mark “Andalay.” In addition to these U.S. patents, we have 7 foreign patents. Currently, we have 13 issued patents and 14 other pending U.S. and foreign patent applications that cover the Andalay technology working their way through the USPTO and foreign patent offices.

The following table provides a summary of our patents:

Country of issuance	Patent Number	Date of Expiration
United States	8,813,460 B2	September 20, 2027
United States	7,406,800	May 18, 2024
United States	7,832,157	May 18, 2024
United States	7,866,098	May 18, 2024
United States	7,987,614	May 18, 2024
United States	8,505,248	March 13, 2028
India	243,626	May 18, 2024
Mexico	274,182	May 18, 2024
China	200580015652.1	May 18, 2024
Canada	2,566,296	May 18, 2024
Japan	4790718	May 18, 2024
EPO (Validated in United Kingdom)	2118935	September 21, 2027
Japan	5175354	September 21, 2027

Trademarks

We have registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office the trademark “Instant Connect” (Reg. No. 4,290,244 and 4,290,245) for the designation of our patented “plug and play” solar panel. We have also registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office the trademark “Akeena” for providing consulting services in the field of energy systems, technical information via a global computer network in the field of renewable energy systems, and renewable energy systems, namely, photovoltaic systems composed of photovoltaic solar panels, batteries, voltage regulators, inverters, racks and electrical controls, as well as the installation of such systems.

We have also registered the trademarks “Double Your Power” and “Andalay” with the United States Patent and Trademark Office for two goods classes: providing computer software for photovoltaic systems for evaluating electric consumption, determining system sizing, estimating electrical output, estimating customer costs, and estimating financial life cycle savings, for use by consumers and businesses; and, installation of renewable energy systems, namely photovoltaic systems composed of solar panels, batteries, voltage regulators, inverters, racks and electrical controls. Additionally, we have applications currently pending with the United States Patent and Trademark Office to expand the goods classes for “Double Your Power” and “Andalay.”

From May 2010 until August 2013, we had been marketing our AC solar panels under the Westinghouse Solar brand, for which had licensed exclusive rights from Westinghouse Electric Corporation; however that license was terminated on August 23, 2013. We now market our products under the Andalay Solar brand.

Table of Contents

Employees

As of January 8, 2015, we had 12 employees, of which 4 were sales and marketing employees, 4 were general and administrative employees, 3 were operation employees and 1 was a research and development employee. Eight employees were full-time employees and four were part-time. Our employees are not party to any collective bargaining agreement and we have never experienced an organized work stoppage. We believe our relations with our employees are good.

Property

Our principal executive offices and warehouse premises are located at 2071 Ringwood Ave., Unit C, San Jose, CA 95128. Commencing March 1, 2014, the monthly rent for our warehouse has been \$10,500. Our warehouse lease agreement expires on February 28, 2015. The monthly rent during 2012 and 2013 was \$7,800. We consolidated our executive offices with our warehouse premises effective January 1, 2014.

Legal Proceedings

On May 1, 2012, Suntech America, Inc., a Delaware corporation (Suntech America), filed a complaint for breach of contract, goods sold and delivered, account stated and open account against us in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Francisco. Suntech America alleged that it delivered products and did not receive full payment from us. On July 31, 2012, we and Suntech entered into a settlement of this dispute. Because of our inability to make scheduled settlement payments, on March 15, 2013, Suntech entered a judgment against us in the amount of \$946,438. As of March 7, 2014, Suntech has not sought to enforce its judgment. As of December 31, 2013, we have included in our consolidated balance sheet a balance due to Suntech America of \$946,438.

On February 21, 2014, ASC Recap filed with the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida (the "Court") an amended complaint and demand for payment of the debt it acquired from one of our creditors. On February 26, 2014, we entered into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation with ASC Recap LLC that was filed with the Court pursuant to which we agreed, subject to court approval, to issue shares of our common stock in a Section 3(a) (10) proceeding that generate proceeds in the amount of \$250,000 in full settlement of a claim in the amount of \$1,027,705 that ASC Recap acquired from one Creditor (the value of the stock that we agreed to issue was two hundred and fifty percent (250%) of the discounted purchase price ASC paid to purchase the debt from the Creditor, and approximately 25% of the original amount we owed to the Creditor). On March 24, 2014, the Court approved the 3(a)(10) proceeding and the Settlement Agreement and Stipulation and in April 2014 we issued 8,079,800 shares of common stock at an average price of \$0.031 for full settlement of the agreement with ASC Recap.

We are also involved in other litigation from time to time in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the outcome of such proceedings will not materially affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Table of Contents

MARKET PRICE OF COMMON STOCK AND OTHER STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

Our common stock has been quoted on the OTCQB Marketplace since September 6, 2012. From August 2010 to September 2012, we were traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol WEST, from September 2007 until July 2010, we were traded under the symbol AKNS, and from August 2006 through August 2007, our common stock was quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol AKNS.OB. Prior to that date, there was no active market for our common stock.

Our common stock is currently quoted on the OTCQB, which is sponsored by FINRA. The OTCQB is a network of security dealers who buy and sell stock. The dealers are connected by a computer network that provides information on current “bids” and “asks,” as well as volume information. Our shares are quoted on the OTCQB under the symbol “WEST.”

The following table sets forth the range of high and low bid quotations for our common stock for each of the periods indicated as reported by the OTCQB. These quotations reflect inter-dealer prices, without retail mark-up, mark-down or commission and may not necessarily represent actual transactions.

	High \$	Low \$
Quarter Ended		
December 31, 2014	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
September 30, 2014	\$ 0.03	\$ 0.01
June 30, 2014	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.02
March 31, 2014	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.02
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2013		
Quarter Ended		
December 31, 2013	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.02
September 30, 2013	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.02
June 30, 2013	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.02
March 31, 2013	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.03
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2012		
Quarter Ended		
December 31, 2012	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.04
September 30, 2012	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.16
June 30, 2012	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.15
March 31, 2012	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.32

The last reported sale price of our common stock on the OTCQB Marketplace on January 8, 2015, was \$0.0179 per share. As of January 8, 2015, there were approximately 38 holders of record of our common stock.

We have not declared or paid any cash dividends on our common stock and do not anticipate declaring or paying any cash dividends on our common stock in the foreseeable future. We currently expect to retain future earnings, if any, for the development of our business. Dividends may be paid on our common stock only if and when declared by our board of directors.

Table of Contents

Penny Stock

Our stock is considered to be a penny stock. The SEC has adopted rules that regulate broker-dealer practices in connection with transactions in penny stocks. Penny stocks are generally equity securities with a market price of less than \$5.00, other than securities registered on certain national securities exchanges or quoted on the NASDAQ system, provided that current price and volume information with respect to transactions in such securities is provided by the exchange or system. The penny stock rules require a broker-dealer, prior to a transaction in a penny stock, to deliver a standardized risk disclosure document prepared by the SEC, that: (a) contains a description of the nature and level of risk in the market for penny stocks in both public offerings and secondary trading; (b) contains a description of the broker's or dealer's duties to the customer and of the rights and remedies available to the customer with respect to a violation of such duties or other requirements of the securities laws; (c) contains a brief, clear, narrative description of a dealer market, including bid and ask prices for penny stocks and the significance of the spread between the bid and ask price; (d) contains a toll-free telephone number for inquiries on disciplinary actions; (e) defines significant terms in the disclosure document or in the conduct of trading in penny stocks; and (f) contains such other information and is in such form, including language, type size and format, as the SEC shall require by rule or regulation.

The broker-dealer also must provide, prior to effecting any transaction in a penny stock, the customer with: (a) bid and offer quotations for the penny stock; (b) the compensation of the broker-dealer and its salesperson in the transaction; (c) the number of shares to which such bid and ask prices apply, or other comparable information relating to the depth and liquidity of the market for such stock; and (d) a monthly account statement showing the market value of each penny stock held in the customer's account.

In addition, the penny stock rules require that prior to a transaction in a penny stock not otherwise exempt from those rules, the broker-dealer must make a special written determination that the penny stock is a suitable investment for the purchaser and receive the purchaser's written acknowledgment of the receipt of a risk disclosure statement, a written agreement as to transactions involving penny stocks, and a signed and dated copy of a written suitability statement.

These disclosure requirements may have the effect of reducing the trading activity for our common stock. Therefore, stockholders may have difficulty selling our securities.

Holdings

As of January 8, 2015, we estimate we had approximately 12,000 shareholders, of which 38 are record holders of our common stock.

Dividends

Since our organization, we have not paid any cash dividends on its common stock, nor do we plan to do so in the foreseeable future.

Table of Contents

SECURITIES AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUANCE UNDER EQUITY COMPENSATION PLANS

	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options	Number of securities remaining available for issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding outstanding options and restricted stock awards)
Equity compensation plans approved by stock holders:			
2006 Stock Incentive Plan	37,035,419	\$ 0.03	8,557,802
Equity compensation plans not approved by stock holders	—	\$ —	—

At our Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on September 19, 2013, our stockholders approved and adopted an amendment to our 2006 Incentive Stock Plan, increasing the number of shares of our common stock reserved for issuance under the Plan from 3,000,000 to 50,000,000.

Table of Contents

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Company Overview

We are a designer of solar power systems and solar panels with integrated microinverters (which we call AC solar panels) and a solar power residential installer. We design, market and sell these solar power systems to other solar installers and do-it-yourself customers in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and South America through distribution partnerships, our dealer network and retail outlets. Our products are designed for use in solar power systems for residential and commercial rooftop customers. We exited the solar power installation business in September 2010, but we have recently re-entered that market.

In September 2007, we introduced our “plug and play” solar panel technology (under the brand name “Andalay”), which we believe significantly reduces the installation time and costs, and provides superior reliability and aesthetics, when compared to other solar panel mounting products and technology. Our panel technology offers the following features: (i) mounts closer to the roof with less space in between panels; (ii) no unsightly racks underneath or beside panels; (iii) built-in wiring connections; (iv) approximately 70% fewer roof-assembled parts and approximately 50% less roof-top labor required; (v) approximately 25% fewer roof attachment points; (vi) complete compliance with the National Electric Code and UL wiring and grounding requirements. We have six U.S. patents (Patent No. 7,406,800, Patent No. 7,832,157, Patent No. 7,866,098, Patent No. 7,987,614, Patent No. 8,505,248 and Patent 8,813,460 B2) that cover key aspects of our Andalay solar panel technology, as well as U.S. Trademark No. 3481373 for registration of the mark “Andalay.” In addition to these U.S. patents, we have 7 foreign patents. Currently, we have 13 issued patents and 15 other pending U.S. and foreign patent applications that cover the Andalay technology working their way through the USPTO and foreign patent offices.

In February 2009, we announced a strategic relationship with Enphase, a leading manufacturer of microinverters, to develop and market solar panel systems with ordinary AC house current output instead of high voltage DC output. We introduced Andalay AC panel products and began offering them to our customers in the second quarter of 2009. Andalay AC panels cost less to install, are safer, and generally provide higher energy output than ordinary DC panels. Andalay AC panels deliver 5-25% more energy compared to ordinary panels, produce safe household AC power, and have built-in panel level monitoring, racking, wiring, grounding and microinverters. With 80% fewer parts and 5 – 25% better performance than ordinary DC panels, we believe Andalay AC panels are an ideal solution for solar installers and do-it-yourself customers.

As a result of our announced exit from the solar panel installation business, our installation business has been reclassified in our financial statements as discontinued operations. The exit from the installation business was essentially completed by the end of the fourth quarter of 2010.

Concentration of Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to credit risk are comprised of cash and cash equivalents, which are maintained at high quality financial institutions. As of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, we had no deposits in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation limit of \$250,000.

Supplier Relationships

In May 2013, we entered into a new supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd (“EEG”), an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013.

In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Tianwei New Energy Co, Ltd. (“Tianwei”), a panel supplier located in China. We began receiving product from Tianwei in February 2014 and stopped as of June 2014. In July 2014, we entered into a supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Auxin Solar, Inc., a panel supplier located in the United States. We received our first slate of panels from Auxin in November 2014. Although we believe we can find alternative suppliers for solar panels manufactured to our specifications, our operations would be disrupted unless we are able to rapidly secure alternative sources of supply, our inventory and revenue could diminish significantly, causing disruption to our operations.

We also received a majority of our components from a limited number of suppliers. Some of these components are made to our specifications and if we were to lose these supplier relationships, it could cause significant disruption to our operations.

Table of Contents

Customer Relationships

The relative magnitude and the mix of revenue from our largest customers have varied significantly quarter to quarter. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, six customers have accounted for significant revenues, varying by period, to our company: WDC Solar, Inc. (“WDC”), a leading construction, integration and installation of commercial, residential and utility scale solar installations in the Washington D.C. area, Smart Energy Today (“Smart Energy”), which specializes in helping home owners and business owners become more energy efficient, JCF Wholesale (“JCF”) a provider of residential and commercial electrical services in Southern California, Sustainable Environmental Enterprises (“SEE”), a leading provider of renewable energy and development projects located in New Orleans, Louisiana, PROSOL, S.A. Total (“PROSOL”) an international solar installation company and Starwood Vacation Ownership, Inc. (“Starwood”), a leading international vacation ownership/timeshare company. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, the percentages of sales of our top six customers are as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2014		2013	
WDC Solar, Inc.	14.7	%	—	
Smart Energy Today	13.5	%	—	
JCF Wholesale	10.6	%	—	
Sustainable Environmental Enterprises	1.6	%	28.3	%
PROSOL S.A. Total	—		19.1	%
Starwood Vacation Ownership, Inc.,	—		12.4	%

The percentage of our gross accounts receivable for our top six customers as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, are as follows:

	September		December	
	30, 2014		31, 2013	
WDC Solar, Inc.	60.7	%	—	
Smart Energy Today	—		—	
JCF Wholesale	—		2.4	%
Sustainable Environmental Enterprises	—		86.7	%
PROSOL S.A. Total	—		—	
Starwood Vacation Ownership, Inc.,	—		0.2	%

We maintain reserves for potential credit losses and such losses, in the aggregate, have generally not exceeded management’s estimates. Our top three vendors accounted for approximately 31% and 41% of purchases as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. As of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, accounts payable included amounts owed to our top three suppliers of approximately \$959,000 and \$1.1 million, respectively.

Table of Contents

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014 as Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013

Results of Operations

The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain information related to our operations, expressed in dollars and as a percentage of net revenue:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,				Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014				2013	
Net revenue	\$1,055,344	100.0	%	\$367,870	100.0	%
Cost of goods sold	982,658	93.1	%	407,359	110.7	%
Gross profit (loss)	72,686	6.9	%	(39,489)	(10.7)	%
Operating expenses						
Sales and marketing	232,577	22.0	%	804,048	218.6	%
General and administrative	1,622,944	153.8	%	1,816,338	493.7	%
Total operating expenses	1,855,521	175.8	%	2,620,386	712.3	%
Loss from continuing operations	(1,782,835)	(168.9)	%	(2,659,875)	(723.0)	%
Other income (expense)						
Interest (expense), net	(290,171)	(27.5)	%	(6,730)	(1.8)	%
Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives	31,924	3.0	%	—	0.0	%
Adjustment to the fair value of common stock warrants	—	0.0	%	9	0.0	%
Settlement of prior debt owed	769,148	72.9	%	420,000	114.2	%
Total other expense, net	510,901	48.4	%	413,279	112.3	%
Loss before provision for income taxes and discontinued operations	(1,271,934)	(120.5)	%	(2,246,596)	(610.7)	%
Provision for income taxes	—	0.0	%	—	0.0	%
Net loss from continuing operations (Note 3)	(1,271,934)	(120.5)	%	(2,246,596)	(610.7)	%
Net income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	—	0.0	%	10,797	2.9	%
Net loss	(1,271,934)	(120.5)	%	(2,235,799)	(607.8)	%
Preferred stock dividend	(18,927)	(1.8)	%	(124,509)	(33.8)	%
Preferred deemed dividend	—	0.0	%	(875,304)	(237.9)	%
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$(1,290,861)	(122.3)	%	\$(3,235,612)	(879.6)	%
Net loss attributable to common stockholders per common share (basic and diluted)	\$(0.01)			\$(0.06)		
Weighted-average shares used in computing loss per common share (basic and diluted)	188,131,135			56,695,767		

Net Revenue

We generate revenue from the sale of solar power systems. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, we generated approximately \$1,055,000 of revenue, an increase of \$687,000, or 186.9%, compared to \$368,000 of revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2013. The increase in revenue was due to an increase in watts sold, partially offset by a decrease in our average selling price per watt.

Cost of Goods Sold

Cost of goods sold as a percent of revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, was 93.1% of net revenue, compared to 110.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2013. Gross profit for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$73,000, or 6.9% of revenue, compared to gross loss of \$39,000 or 10.7% of revenue for the same period in 2013. The increase in gross margin in the nine months ended September 30, 2014 compared to the nine months ended September 30, 2013, was due to lower solar module costs and lower inventory overhead allocations due to increase in revenue.

Table of Contents

Sales and Marketing Expenses

Sales and marketing expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 were \$233,000, or 22.0% of net revenue as compared to \$804,000, or 218.6% of net revenue during the same period of the prior year. The \$571,000 decrease in sales and marketing expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 compared to the same period in 2013 was primarily due to decreases in licensing fees owed to Westinghouse Electric Corporation of \$638,000, partially offset by an increase in \$30,000 in stock-based compensation expense. The decrease in licensing fees was due to the termination of the licensing agreement with Westinghouse Electric. The increase in stock-based compensation expense was due to grants of restricted stock to certain sales and marketing employees.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 were \$1.6 million, or 153.8% of net revenue as compared to \$1.8 million, or 493.7% of net revenue during the same period of the prior year. The decrease in general and administrative expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 compared to the same period in 2013, was due primarily to a decrease in rent expense of \$85,000, a decrease in bad debt expense of \$85,000 and a decrease in insurance expense of \$72,000, partially offset by an increase in payroll and benefits of \$108,000, stock-based compensation expense of \$51,000, professional fees of \$35,000 and recruitment fees of \$33,000. The decrease in bad debt was primarily due to an increase in bad debt in the prior year and the decrease in insurance and rent expense was due to the consolidation of our administrative offices with our warehouse. The increase in stock-based compensation, payroll and benefits and recruitment fees was primarily due to expenses incurred in the replacement of our CEO. The increase in professional fees was primarily due to an increase in accounting fees.

Interest Expense, Net

During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, net interest expense was approximately \$290,000 compared with net interest expense of \$7,000 for the same period in 2013. The increase in interest expense was associated with the increase in notes payable and convertible debt.

Adjustment to the Fair Value of Embedded Derivatives

During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, we recorded mark-to-market adjustments to reflect the fair value of embedded derivatives, resulting in an unrealized gain of approximately \$32,000 in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.

Adjustment to the Fair Value of Common Stock Warrants

During the nine months ended September 30, 2013, we recorded mark-to-market adjustments to reflect the fair value of outstanding common stock warrants accounted for as a liability, resulting in an unrealized gain of \$9 in our condensed consolidated statements of operations.

Settlement of Prior Debt Owed

During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, we recorded a gain in other income of \$769,000 as a result of a favorable settlement on a prior debt owed to a creditor.

Income Taxes

During the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, there was no income tax expense or benefit for federal and state income taxes reflected in our condensed consolidated statements of operations due to our net loss and a valuation allowance on the resulting deferred tax asset.

Net Loss from Continuing Operations

Net loss from continuing operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$1.3 million, compared to a net loss from continuing operations of \$2.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2013.

Net Income (Loss) from Discontinued Operations

As a result of the exit from the installation business on September 7, 2010, we recorded net income of \$11,000 from the discontinuance of our installation business segment for the nine months ended September 30, 2013.

Table of Contents

Results of Operations

The following table sets forth, for the years indicated, certain information related to our operations as a percentage of our net revenue:

	Years Ended December 31,			
	2013	%	2012	%
Net revenue	\$ 1,124,836	100.0	\$ 5,222,248	100.0
Cost of goods sold	1,121,612	99.7	5,249,121	100.5
Gross profit (loss)	3,224	0.3	(26,873)	(0.5)
Operating Expenses				
Sales and marketing	887,305	78.9	2,078,830	39.8
General and administrative	2,377,703	211.4	6,012,542	115.1
Total operating expenses	3,265,008	290.3	8,091,372	154.9
Loss from operations	(3,261,784)	(290.0)	(8,118,245)	(155.5)
Other income (expense)				
Interest income (expense), net	(65,031)	(5.8)	(103,429)	(2.0)
Other income	420,000	37.3	—	—
Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives	65,962	5.9	—	—
Adjustment to the fair value of common stock warrants	9	0.0	(416,526)	(8.0)
Total other income (expense)	420,940	37.4	(519,955)	(10.0)
Loss before provision for income taxes	(2,840,844)	(252.6)	(8,638,200)	(165.4)
Provision for income taxes	—	—	—	—
Net loss from continuing operations	(2,840,844)	(252.6)	(8,638,200)	(165.4)
Gain from operations of discontinued component	10,797	1.0	15,807	0.3
Net loss	(2,830,047)	(251.6)	(8,622,393)	(165.1)
Preferred stock dividend	(153,305)	(13.6)	(174,342)	(3.3)
Preferred deemed dividend	(875,304)	(77.8)	(362,903)	(6.9)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$ (3,858,656)	(343.0)	\$ (9,159,638)	(175.4)
Net loss per common and common equivalent share (basic and diluted) attributable to common shareholders	\$ (0.06)		\$ (0.46)	
Weighted average shares used in computing loss per common share: (basic and diluted)	69,170,957		19,400,724	

Year Ended December 31, 2013 as compared to Year Ended December 31, 2012

Net revenue

We generate revenue from the sale of solar power systems. For the year ended December 31, 2013, we generated \$1.1 million of revenue, a decrease of \$4.1 million, or 78.5%, compared to \$5.2 million of revenue for the year ended December 31, 2012. The decrease in revenue was due to limited inventory levels during the first nine months of 2013 due to supplier relationship issues. In May 2013, we entered into a new supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd (EEG), an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013. In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly

of our proprietary modules with Tianwei New Energy Co, Ltd. (Tianwei), a panel supplier located in China. We began receiving product Tianwei beginning in February 2014.

Cost of goods sold

Cost of goods sold as a percent of revenue for the year ended December 31, 2013, was 99.7% of net revenue, compared to 100.5% for the year ended December 31, 2012. Gross income for the year ended December 31, 2013 was \$3,000, or 0.3% of revenue, compared with a gross loss of \$27,000, or 0.5% of revenue, for the year ended December 31, 2012. During the year ended December 31, 2012, we recorded a \$206,000 non-cash inventory write-down, a \$65,000 write-off of accumulated inventory overhead costs and a \$112,000 non-cash inventory write-off, representing 7.3% of revenue in total. The \$206,000 write-down was an adjustment to the carrying value of our older, smaller-format solar panels and older microinverter inventory to reflect the decline in market prices compared to our original cost and the \$112,000 was an inventory write-off of obsolete inventory. The increase in gross margin for the year ended December 31, 2013 compared to the year ended December 31, 2012, was due to the non-cash inventory charges in the prior year and a decline in panel costs in the current year, partially offset by lower average selling prices in the current year.

Table of Contents

Sales and marketing expenses

Sales and marketing expenses for the year ended December 31, 2013 were \$887,000, or 78.9% of net revenue as compared to \$2.1 million, or 39.8% of net revenue during the same period of the prior year. The \$1.2 million decrease in sales and marketing expenses for the year ended December 31, 2013 compared to the same period in 2012 was primarily due to decreases in payroll and commission costs of \$590,000, advertising costs and trade shows expense of \$274,000, stock-based compensation costs of \$181,000, licensing fees owed to Westinghouse Electric Corporation of \$112,000 and \$34,000 in travel costs. The overall decrease in sales and marketing expenses was due to lower headcount and lower revenue due to limited inventory levels during 2013. The decline in licensing fees was due to the termination of the license agreement with Westinghouse Electric in August of 2013.

General and administrative expenses

General and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2013 were \$2.4 million, or 211.4% of net revenue as compared to \$6.0 million, or 115.1% of net revenue during the same period of the prior year. The decrease in general and administrative expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 compared to the same period in 2012, was due primarily to lower legal and professional fees by \$1.7 million, payroll costs of \$720,000, bad debt expense of \$393,000, research and development costs of \$406,000, insurance expense of \$152,000, stock-based compensation costs of \$123,000 and travel costs of \$50,000. The decrease in legal and professional fees related to the recently terminated CBD merger transaction and patent litigation costs in the prior year. The decrease in payroll and stock-based compensation costs was due to lower headcount. The decrease in bad debt expense was driven by a \$400,000 non-cash write-down of a receivable from a supplier in the prior year. The decrease in research and development costs was due to lower headcount and decreased expenditures for prototype parts and material and testing.

Other Income

During the year ended December 31, 2013, we recorded other income of \$420,000, net of legal fees, relating to the favorable settlement of a legal dispute relating to a supply agreement with a former customer.

Interest, net

During the year ended December 31, 2013, net interest expense was approximately \$65,000 compared with net interest expense of \$103,000 for the same period in 2012. The decrease in interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 was due to lower interest expense incurred in the prior year related to amounts owed to Suntech, partially offset by an increase in interest expense on our credit facility and on our convertible notes.

Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives

During the year ended December 31, 2013, we recorded a \$66,000 favorable adjustment to the fair value to the embedded derivatives on our convertible note.

Adjustment to the fair value of common stock warrants

During the year ended December 31, 2013, the fair value of the warrants was reduced to zero as a result of the decrease in the price of our common stock. During the year ended December 31, 2012, we recorded mark-to-market adjustments to reflect the fair value of outstanding common stock warrants accounted for as a liability, resulting in an

unrealized loss of \$417,000 in our consolidated statements of operations.

Income taxes

During the year ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, there was no income tax expense or benefit for federal and state income taxes reflected in our consolidated statements of operations due to our net loss and a valuation allowance on the resulting deferred tax asset.

Table of Contents

Net loss from continuing operations

Net loss from continuing operations for the year ended December 31, 2013 was \$2.8 million, compared to a net loss from continuing operations of \$8.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. For the year ended December 31, 2013, the net loss included a favorable non-cash adjustment to embedded derivatives of \$66,000 and other income of \$420,000, representing a favorable settlement of a legal dispute relating to a supply agreement with a former customer. For the year ended December 31, 2012, the net loss included an unfavorable non-cash adjustment to the fair value of common stock warrants of \$417,000. Excluding the impact of the impact of non-cash adjustments in both years, net loss from continuing operations for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 would have been \$3.3 million and \$8.2 million, respectively.

Gain from discontinued operations

As a result of the exit from the installation business on September 7, 2010, we recorded \$11,000 in net income from the discontinuance of our installation business segment for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared with net income of \$16,000 during the same period in 2012.

Preferred deemed dividend

On October 18, 2012, we entered into a securities purchase agreement relating to the sale and issuance of up to 1,245 shares of our Series C Preferred Stock, for aggregate proceeds of up to \$1,245,000. At the initial closing, we sold and issued 750 shares of Series C Preferred, for initial aggregate proceeds of \$750,000. On November 2, 2012, we sold an aggregate of 350 additional shares of our Series C Preferred to the purchasers for aggregate proceeds of \$350,000. As a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.155 to \$0.08 per share on the total 750 shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at November 2, 2012, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized a preferred deemed dividend of \$363,000.

On January 24, 2013, we provided to the purchasers of our Series C Preferred Stock a draw down notice under the purchase agreement. The purchasers agreed to accept the new draw down notice and thereby extend our right to exercise a "put" to sell additional Series C Preferred beyond the securities purchase agreement's prior expiration date of December 31, 2012. As a result of the draw down, we sold an aggregate of 75 additional shares of Series C Preferred to the purchasers for aggregate proceeds of \$75,000. Based on the closing price of our common stock as reported on the OTCQB Marketplace on January 24, 2013 (which was \$0.05 per share), the 75 shares of Series C Preferred to be issued pursuant to the draw down would be convertible into 1,500,000 shares of our common stock. As a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.08 to \$0.05 per share on the total 720 shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at January 24, 2013, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized additional preferred deemed dividends of \$270,000.

As a result of the January 24, 2013 draw down notice, pursuant to the terms of the outstanding Series B Preferred Stock, the conversion price of the Series B Preferred was reduced from \$0.08 per share of common stock to become equal to \$0.05, and the conversion price of the Series C Preferred issued under the initial closing was reduced from \$0.08 per share of common stock to become equal to \$0.05. As a result of the May 13, 2013 draw down notice, the price of the Series B Preferred was further reduced from \$0.05 per share of common stock to become equal to \$0.03, and the conversion price of the Series C Preferred was also further reduced from \$0.05 per share of common stock to \$0.03. As of September 30, 2013, there were 823 shares of Series B Preferred that remain outstanding. With the May 13, 2013 draw down, and after recent conversions of our Series C Preferred, there are 97 shares of Series C Preferred

that remain outstanding. As a result of our August 30, 2013 financing, the conversion prices of the Series B and Series C Preferred were further reduced from \$0.03 per share of common stock to \$0.02. After adjustment to the conversion prices as a result of the August 30, 2013 financing and for subsequent conversions of our preferred stock to common stock, the outstanding Series B Preferred and Series C Preferred would be convertible into 21,020,232 shares and 4,333,350 shares, respectively, of our common stock.

Table of Contents

On February 15, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with an institutional accredited investor relating to the sale and issuance of up to 1,180 shares of our newly created Series D Preferred Stock at a price per share equal to the stated value, which is \$1,000 per share, for aggregate proceeds of up to \$1,000,000. At the initial closing, concurrent with entering the agreement, we issued 150 shares of Series D Preferred, for initial aggregate proceeds of \$150,000. After the initial closing, the securities purchase agreement permits the purchaser to exercise a “call” right to purchase additional Series D Preferred in multiple draw downs from time to time until December 31, 2013, subject to certain limits, terms and conditions. In March 2013, the Company and investors entered into a letter agreement to the securities purchase agreement dated as of February 15, 2013, modifying the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be issued upon settlement of any purchaser draw downs made on or after March 18, 2013, equal to the purchaser investment amount divided by the stated value multiplied by a number agreed upon by the Company and the purchaser, which shall not be higher than 1.67. Subsequently, on March 21, 2013, we issued 167 shares of Series D Preferred for aggregate proceeds of \$100,000. On May 13, 2013, we entered into a letter agreement amendment to the securities purchase agreement dated as of February 15, 2013 with certain investors, modifying the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock that may be issued upon draw downs made on or after May 13, 2013, equal to the purchaser investment amount divided by the stated value multiplied by a number agreed upon by us and the purchaser, which shall not be higher than 3.34. The corresponding conversion price into underlying shares of our common stock was \$0.03 per share. On May 13, 2013, we issued 583 shares of Series D Preferred to an investor for aggregate proceeds of \$175,000. As a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.05 to \$0.03 per share on the total 260 shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at May 13, 2013, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized additional preferred deemed dividends of \$104,000. On August 30, 2013, we entered into an agreement to sell \$200,000 in convertible notes. As a result of the sale of these convertible notes and as a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred and Series D Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.03 to \$0.02 per share on the Series C and from \$0.10 to \$0.02 per share on the Series D on the total 147 shares and 930 shares, respectively, of Series C Preferred Stock and Series D Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at August 30, 2013, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized additional preferred deemed dividends of \$36,000 on the Series C Preferred Stock and \$465,000 on the Series D Preferred Stock. The net loss attributable to common shareholders reflects both the net loss and the deemed dividend.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We currently face challenges meeting the working capital needs of our business. Our primary requirements for working capital are to fund purchases for solar panels and microinverters, and to cover our payroll and lease expenses. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2013, we have incurred net losses and negative cash flows from operations. During the recent years, we have undertaken several equity and debt financing transactions to provide the capital needed to sustain our business. We have dramatically reduced our headcount and other variable expenses. As of September 30, 2014, we had approximately \$439,000 in cash on hand. We intend to address ongoing working capital needs through sales of products, along with raising additional debt and equity financing. In January 2013, our board of directors approved actions to dramatically reduce our variable operating costs, including a 12 person employee headcount reduction effective January 15, 2013, for the period through the anticipated merger closing with CBD, which merger was terminated in July 2013. No restructuring charges or severance payments were incurred. Our revenue levels remain difficult to predict, and we anticipate that we will continue to sustain losses in the near term, and we cannot assure investors that we will be successful in reaching break-even.

During 2012, because of our cash position and liquidity constraints, we were late in making payments to both of our former panel suppliers, Suntech and Lightway. We currently have no unshipped orders from these suppliers. In May 2013, we entered into a new supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd (“EEG”), an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we

began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013. In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Tianwei New Energy Co, Ltd. (“Tianwei”), a panel supplier located in China. We began receiving product from Tianwei in February 2014 and stopped as of June 2014. In July 2014, we entered into a supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Auxin Solar, Inc., a panel supplier located in the United States. We began receiving product from Auxin in the fourth quarter of 2014. Although we believe we can find alternative suppliers for solar panels manufactured to our specifications, our operations would be disrupted unless we are able to rapidly secure alternative sources of supply, our inventory and revenue could diminish significantly, causing disruption to our operations.

Table of Contents

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming we will continue as a going concern. Our significant operating losses, negative cash flow from operations, and challenges in rapidly securing alternative sources of supply for solar panels, raise substantial uncertainty about our ability to continue as a going concern. The accompanying financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty, and contemplate the realization of assets and the settlement of liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business. There can be no assurance that we will be able to raise additional funds on commercially reasonable terms, if at all. The current economic downturn adds uncertainty to our anticipated revenue levels and to the timing of cash receipts, which are needed to support our operations. It also worsens the market conditions for seeking equity and debt financing. As a result of our delisting from the Nasdaq Capital Market in September 2012, we are no longer eligible to file new registration statements on Form S-3, which may make it more costly and more difficult for us to obtain additional equity financing. We currently anticipate that we will retain all of our earnings, if any, for development of our business and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on common stock in the foreseeable future.

Despite our recent financings, we have insufficient cash to operate our business at the current level for the next twelve months and insufficient cash to achieve our business goals. The success of our business plan is contingent upon us increasing sales and obtaining additional financing. We intend to fund operations through debt and/or equity financing arrangements such as the December Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge and the loan and security agreement discussed below; however there can be no assurance that we will continue to meet the conditions necessary to be able to use the Equity Line under the December Equity Purchase Agreement (described below) or the loan and security agreement (described below). Other than the Equity Line and the loan and security agreement described below, we do not have any formal commitments or arrangements for the sales of stock or the advancement or loan of funds at this time. There can be no assurance that any additional financing will be available to us on acceptable terms, or at all.

On January 22, 2014, we entered into a Settlement of Potential Claims Agreement (the “ASCR Agreement”) with ASC Recap LLC (“ASCR”), an entity affiliated with Southridge. Pursuant to the ASCR Agreement, ASCR has offered to purchase (and in one (1) case has already purchased) approximately \$3.7 million of our prior debt owed to four creditors (“Creditors”) for past due services at a substantial discount to face value to which we have agreed to issue to ASCR certain shares of its common stock in a §3(a)(10) 1933 Act proceeding. The shares of common stock that we have agreed to issue to ASCR in full payment for, and as a release of any debt it purchases from the Creditors, is anticipated to have, upon issuance, a market value equal to approximately 25% of the principal amount of our outstanding debt. In the case of the debt ASCR already purchased from one (1) Creditor, we entered into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation on February 26, 2014 that was filed with the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida pursuant to which we agreed, subject to court approval, to issue shares of our common stock that generate proceeds in the amount of \$250,000 in full settlement of a claim in the amount of \$1,027,705 that ASCR acquired from one Creditor (the value of the stock that we agreed to issue was two hundred and fifty percent (250%) of the discounted purchase price ASCR paid to purchase the debt from the Creditor, and approximately 25% of the original amount we owed to the Creditor). On March 24, 2014, the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida, approved the §3(a)(10) 1933 Act proceeding and Settlement Agreement and Stipulation and in April 2014, we issued 8,079,800 shares of common stock at an average price of \$0.031 for the full settlement of the agreement with ASCR. The stock to be issued by us and the purchase of the debt by ASCR of the remaining three Creditors is subject to the acceptance of offers by the Creditors and court approval of the terms of the settlement.

The Prior Equity Purchase Agreement entered into in January 2014

On March 11, 2014, we filed a Registration Statement on Form S-1/A to register 35 million shares of common stock related to our Prior Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge and on March 21, 2014, the Securities and Exchange Commission declared the Registration Statement effective. On March 26, 2014, we submitted an initial take-down request of \$300,000 to Southridge pursuant to the terms of the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement of which partial

proceeds of \$100,000 was received on March 31, 2014 and \$200,000 on April 16, 2014. On June 4, 2014, June 18, 2014 and July 8, 2014, we submitted additional take-down requests for \$100,000, \$100,000 and \$125,000, respectively, pursuant to the terms of the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement. We issued a total of 31,760,578 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$0.02 per share pursuant to the terms of the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement. On October 23, 2014, we submitted a take-down request for approximately \$51,000 pursuant to the terms of the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement. We issued a total 4,214,853 shares of our common at an average price of \$0.012 per share pursuant to the terms of the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement. As of November 12, 2014, 2,528,912 shares have been sold at an average price of \$0.012 per share, resulting in total proceeds of approximately \$30,000. On December 9, 2014, we terminated the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement and instead entered into the December Equity Purchase Agreement

Table of Contents

Convertible Notes Payable

On August 30, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures August 29, 2015 (the "Convertible Note"). Subsequently, on November 25, 2013 and December 19, 2013, we entered into additional securities purchase agreements with the same institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of convertible notes in the principal amount of \$200,000 and \$250,000, respectively, which mature on November 25, 2015 and December 19, 2015. On January 27, 2014, we issued a convertible note in the principal amount of \$100,000 that matures January 27, 2016 under the Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with an accredited investor on December 19, 2013. In connection with the issuance of the December 19, 2013 convertible note, we also issued 6,250,000 warrants to purchase shares of our common stock at a price of \$0.02 per share. On February 25, 2014, we entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement with the same accredited investor related to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures February 25, 2016. In connection with the issuance of the February 25, 2014 convertible note, we issued 5,000,000 warrants to purchase shares of our common stock at a price of \$0.02 per share. On March 18, 2014, we entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with the same accredited investor related to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$300,000 that matures March 18, 2016. In connection with the March 18, 2014 convertible note, we issued a five-year warrant to purchase 7,500,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$.02. Each of the Convertible Notes bear interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, are payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. Subject to our fulfilling certain conditions, including beneficial ownership limits, the convertible notes are subject to a mandatory conversion if the closing price of our common stock for any 20 consecutive days commencing six months after the issue date of the convertible notes equal or exceeds \$0.04. Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible notes can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion.

We have the option of repaying the outstanding principal amount of the convertible notes, in whole or in part, by paying the purchaser a sum of money equal to one hundred and twenty percent (120%) of the principal together with accrued but unpaid interest upon 30 days' notice, subject to certain beneficial ownership limits. For so long as we have any obligation under the convertible notes, we have agreed to certain restrictions regarding, among other things, incurrence of additional debt, liens, amendments to charter documents, repurchase of stock, payment of cash dividends, affiliated transactions. We are also prohibited from entering into certain variable priced agreements until the convertible notes are repaid in full.

Because of certain down-round protection in the conversion rate of the convertible notes, we determined that the derivative liability related to the embedded conversion feature met the criteria for bifurcation. Accordingly, we recognized an aggregate liability of \$123,000 on the three issuance dates during the nine months ended September 30, 2014. This was in addition to the carrying value of the derivative liability on three previously recorded derivatives of \$178,000. The derivative liability is carried at fair value with changes in the fair value reflected in the "Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives" line item of our condensed consolidated statements of operations. We recognized a non-cash benefit for the three months ended September 30, 2014 of \$49,000 and a non-cash benefit for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 of \$32,000 on a total of six convertible notes.

In addition, the relative fair value of the warrants issued in the December 2013 convertible note issuance of \$250,000, were allocated to additional paid-in capital. Such value was determined assuming volatility of 149.1%, a risk free

interest rate of 0.7% and an expected term of 4.1 years. The resulting debt discount from the derivative liability and warrant issuance of \$109,000 is being accreted to interest using the effective interest method. The relative fair value of the warrants issued in the February 2014 convertible note issuance of \$200,000, were allocated to Additional Paid-in Capital. Such value was determined assuming volatility of 169.1, a risk free interest rate of 0.7% and an expected term of 4.1 years. The resulting debt discount from the derivative liability and warrant issuance of \$101,000 is being accreted to interest using the effective interest method. The relative fair value of the warrants issued in the March 2014 convertible note issuance of \$300,000, were allocated to additional paid-in capital. Such value was determined assuming volatility of 168.8%, a risk free interest rate of 0.8% and an expected term of 4.1 years. The resulting debt discount from the derivative liability and warrant issuance of \$154,000 is being accreted to interest using the effective interest method.

On November 1 and December 1, 2013, and on January 1, February 1 and March 1, 2014, we issued convertible notes to our financial advisory firm in the principal amount of \$30,000 each for a total of \$150,000, which mature on October 31, November 30 and December 31, 2014, and on January 31 and February 28, 2015, respectively. On July 1, 2014, we issued convertible notes to our financial advisory firm in the principal amount of \$10,000, which matures on June 30, 2015. On April 1, May 1 and June 1, 2014, we issued convertible notes to our financial advisory firm in the principal amount of \$20,000 each, for a total of \$60,000, which mature on March 31, April 30 and May 31, 2015, respectively. Each of the Convertible Notes bear interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, are payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02. Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible notes can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion. As of September 30, 2014, convertible notes in the principal amount of \$460,000, along with accrued interest of \$27,153, were converted into 24,496,564 shares of our common stock.

Table of Contents

Line of Credit

On September 30, 2013, we entered into a loan and security agreement with Alpha Capital Anstalt and Collateral Services, LLC to provide financing, on a discretionary basis, for one year, against our accounts receivable and inventory. The maximum amount that can be borrowed under the Agreement is \$500,000. We have the right to borrow up to 80% of our eligible accounts receivable, not in excess of \$200,000, 50% of the value of our raw materials in inventory, 65% of our finished goods inventory and 95% of cash, but not in the aggregate amount in excess of \$300,000. The advances are secured by a lien on all of our assets. All advances under the agreement bear interest at a per annum rate of 12% and monthly interest shall be a minimum of \$500. At the time of initial funding we paid a loan fee of 50 shares of our Series D Preferred Shares to the lender, in addition to other payments for legal fees. In addition, we paid the collateral agent an initial fee of \$5,000 and have agreed to pay an administrative fee to the collateral agent of 0.5% per month of the daily balance during the preceding month or \$500 whichever is less. In the event that of a prepayment, we are obligated to pay a prepayment fee in an amount equal to one-half of one percent (0.5%) of \$500,000. On September 30, 2013, we requested and received an initial borrowing under the Agreement totaling \$350,000. Subsequently, on October 21, 2013, we requested and received an additional \$100,000 and on November 20, 2013, we requested and received an additional \$50,000. As of September 30, 2014, the balance outstanding under our line of credit was \$500,000. The expiration of this agreement was extended until December 31, 2014.

Cash Flow Analysis

Our primary capital requirement is to fund purchases of solar panels and inverters. Significant sources of liquidity are cash on hand, cash flows from operating activities, working capital and proceeds from equity financings. As of September 30, 2014, we had approximately \$439,000 in cash on hand. As of December 31, 2013, we had approximately \$150,000 in cash on hand.

Cash used in operating activities was approximately \$760,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. Cash provided by operating activities was primarily due our net loss adjusted for non-cash items of \$1.6 million, partially offset by a \$423,000 decrease in accounts receivable, a \$162,000 decrease in inventory, a \$149,000 decrease in prepaid expenses and other current assets, and a \$111,000 decrease in accounts payable. The increases and decreases in assets and liabilities were primarily due to the timing of payments and receipts. Cash used in operating activities was approximately \$1.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. Cash used by operating activities was primarily due to a \$294,000 increase in accounts receivable, a \$383,000 decrease in accrued liabilities and warranty, and an \$85,000 decrease in liabilities of discontinued operations, partially offset by a \$1.2 million increase in accounts payable, \$247,000 decrease in prepaid expenses and a \$209,000 decrease in inventory. The increases and decreases in assets and liabilities were primarily due to the timing of payments and receipts.

Cash provided by financing activities was approximately \$1.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, we received \$600,000 in proceeds from borrowings on long-term debt and \$625,000 in proceeds from an equity offering, less \$37,000 in payment of placement agent fees, and repayment of \$130,000 in notes payable. Cash provided by financing activities was approximately \$1.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. During the year ended December 31, 2013, we received \$650,000 in borrowings on long-term debt, \$550,000 in proceeds from a preferred stock offering, less \$92,000 in payment of placement agent fees and \$500,000 in borrowings on a line of credit.

Table of Contents

Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires estimates and assumptions that affect the reporting of assets, liabilities, sales and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 provides a summary of our significant accounting policies, which are all in accordance with generally accepted accounting policies in the United States. Certain of our accounting policies are critical to understanding our consolidated financial statements, because their application requires management to make assumptions about future results and depends to a large extent on management's judgment, because past results have fluctuated and are expected to continue to do so in the future.

We believe that the application of the accounting policies described in the following paragraphs is highly dependent on critical estimates and assumptions that are inherently uncertain and highly susceptible to change. For all these policies, we caution that future events rarely develop exactly as estimated, and the best estimates routinely require adjustment. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates and assumptions, including those discussed below.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires estimates and assumptions that affect the reporting of assets, liabilities, sales and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 as filed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K provides a summary of our significant accounting policies, which are all in accordance with generally accepted accounting policies in the United States. Certain of our accounting policies are critical to understanding our consolidated financial statements, because their application requires management to make assumptions about future results and depends to a large extent on management's judgment, because past results have fluctuated and are expected to continue to do so in the future.

The application of the accounting policies described in the following paragraphs is highly dependent on critical estimates and assumptions that are inherently uncertain and highly susceptible to change. For all these policies, we caution that future events rarely develop exactly as estimated, and the best estimates routinely require adjustment. On an ongoing basis, we evaluate our estimates and assumptions, including those discussed below.

Revenue recognition. Revenue from sales of products is recognized when: (1) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, (2) delivery has occurred or services have been rendered, (3) the sale price is fixed or determinable, and (4) collection of the related receivable is reasonably assured. We recognize revenue when the solar power systems are shipped to the customer.

Inventory. Inventory is stated at the lower of cost (on an average basis) or market value. We determine cost based on our weighted-average purchase price and include both the costs of acquisition and the shipping costs in our inventory. We regularly review the cost of inventory against its estimated market value and record a lower of cost or market write-down to cost of goods sold, if any inventory has a cost in excess of estimated market value. Our inventory generally has a long life cycle and obsolescence has not historically been a significant factor in its valuation.

Long-lived assets. We periodically review our property and equipment and identifiable intangible assets for possible impairment whenever facts and circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be fully recoverable. Assumptions and estimates used in the evaluation of impairment may affect the carrying value of long-lived assets, which could result in impairment charges in future periods. Significant assumptions and estimates include the projected cash flows based upon estimated revenue and expense growth rates and the discount rate applied to expected cash flows. In addition, our depreciation and amortization policies reflect judgments on the estimated useful lives of assets.

Patent costs. We capitalize external legal costs and filing fees associated with obtaining or defending our patents. Upon issuance of new patents or successful defense of existing patents, we amortize these costs using the straight line method over the shorter of the legal life of the patent or its economic life. We believe the remaining useful life we assign to these patents, approximately 10.25 years as of September 30, 2014, are reasonable. We periodically review our patents to determine whether any such cost have been impaired and are no longer being used. To the extent we are no longer using certain patents, the associated costs will be written off at that time.

Table of Contents

Stock-based compensation. We use the Black-Scholes-Merton Options Pricing Model (“Black-Scholes”) to estimate fair value of our employee and our non-employee director stock-based awards. Black-Scholes requires various judgmental assumptions, including estimating stock price volatility, expected option life and forfeiture rates. We measure compensation expense for non-employee stock-based compensation under Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) ASC 505-50, “Equity-Based Payments to Non-Employees.” The fair value of the option issued is used to measure the transaction, as this is more reliable than the fair value of the services received. The estimated fair value is measured utilizing Black-Scholes using the value of our common stock on the date that the commitment for performance by the counterparty has been reached or the counterparty’s performance is complete.

Warranty provision. The manufacturer directly warrants the solar panels and inverters for a range from 15 to 25 years. We warrant the balance of system components of our products against defects in material and workmanship for five years. We assist our customers in the event of a claim under the manufacturer warranty to replace a defective solar panel or inverter.

Common stock warrant liabilities. In March 2009 and February 2011, we issued warrants to purchase shares of our common stock in connection with certain capital financing transactions. The terms of the warrant agreements related to these two offerings contained a cash-out provision which may be triggered at the option of the warrant holders if we “go private,” if we are acquired for all cash or upon the occurrence of certain other fundamental transactions involving us. In addition, the terms of the warrant agreement related to the February 2011 offering contain a provision that may require us to reduce the exercise price of the warrants to purchase shares of our common stock upon the occurrence of certain lower-priced future offerings of our equity securities. Under ASC 480, Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity (“ASC 480”), financial instruments that may require the issuer to settle the obligation by transferring assets or to reduce the exercise price of its warrants to purchase shares of its common stock are classified as a liability. Therefore, we have classified the warrants as liabilities and will record mark-to-market adjustments to reflect the fair value at each period end.

Table of Contents

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements (as defined in the applicable regulations) that have or are reasonably likely to have a current or future effect on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures or capital resources.

Inflation

We believe that inflation has not had a material impact on our historical results of operations; however, there can be no assurance that our business will not be affected by inflation in the future.

Seasonality

Our quarterly operating results may vary significantly from quarter to quarter as a result of seasonal changes in weather as well as state or Federal subsidies. Historically, sales are highest during the third and fourth quarters as a result of good weather and robust bookings in the second quarter.

Significant Accounting Policies and Estimates

There have been no material changes or developments to the significant accounting policies discussed in our Notes to Financial Statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2014 or accounting pronouncements issued or adopted, except as described below.

Table of Contents

DIRECTORS , EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, PROMOTERS AND CONTROL PERSONS

Executive Officers

The following table contains information with respect to our current executive officers and directors.

Name	Age	Position
Steven Chan	47	President, Chief Executive Officer, Interim Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Secretary and Director
Wei-Tai Kwok	50	Chief Operating Officer
Edward L. Bernstein	61	Director
Mark L. Kalow	58	Chairman of the Board of Directors
Ron Kenedi	65	Director
Margaret Randazzo	47	Director
Edward Roffman	64	Director

Each director holds office until the next annual meeting of stockholders or until their successor has been duly elected and qualified. Executive officers are elected annually and serve at the discretion of our board of directors.

Steven Chan, Chief Executive Officer, President of the Company, Interim Chief Financial Officer and Director. Mr. Chan has been our Chief Executive Officer, President, acting Chief Financial Officer and a Director since April 2014. Our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee decided that Mr. Chan should serve on our Board of Directors based on his expertise in the solar industry and his prior management roles with other solar companies. Mr. Chan previously served as the Vice President of NRG Energy (NYSE: NRG) from May 2012 to November 2013 serving as head of residential solar for its NRG Residential Solar Solutions business. Prior to that, Mr. Chan served as EVP, Strategy and System Sales at GCL-Poly Energy Holdings Limited (Hong Kong: 3800) from September 2011 to May 2012 where he helped to build out a system sales division for GCL in North America including establishing and serving as a board member at Sunora Energy Solutions, a joint venture with NRG Energy to focus on utility and commercial solar installations. From 2006 until 2011 he held various positions at Suntech Power Holdings Co., Ltd. (OTC: STPFQ), which included serving as the President of Suntech America and as Suntech's President of Global Sales and Marketing, Chief Strategy Officer and VP Business Development. Mr. Chan previously practiced corporate law at law firms including Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP and Morrison & Foerster LLP. Mr. Chan holds an A.B. degree with high honors in Political Economy from the University of California at Berkeley and a J.D. from the Boston College Law School.

Wei-Tai Kwok, Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Kwok joined the Company in November 2014. Prior to this, Mr. Kwok was Vice President of Operations in the residential solar division of NRG Energy, with responsibility for supply chain, procurement, logistics, engineering and O&M. From 2009-2012, Mr. Kwok was Vice President of Marketing at Suntech Power, where he had responsibility for growing the brand globally across the Americas, Europe/Middle East and Africa, Asia Pacific, China and Japan. Prior to Suntech, Mr. Kwok spent 17 years in general management as a marketing executive. He was a Managing Director for Isobar, the wholly-owned digital agency network of Aegis Group plc, one of the world's largest marketing communications conglomerates now owned by Dentsu. He was

previously President & CEO of Dae Advertising, a top Asian American advertising agency based in San Francisco which he helped co-found in 1990. Mr. Kwok is a graduate of Yale University with a B.A. in Economics & Political Science.

Ed Bernstein, Director. Mr. Bernstein has been a director since September 2010. The Board's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee decided that Mr. Bernstein should serve on the Company's Board based on his personal and professional qualities, including his proven integrity, absence of conflicts of interest, sound judgment, achievements in business, business understanding, and available time to dedicate to the role. Mr. Bernstein brings to the Board significant executive leadership, operational experience and strong corporate governance expertise through his prior business experience and his prior service on the board of other public companies. Due to his business background, he has a broad understanding of the operational, financial and strategic issues facing public companies. From April 2008 until March 6, 2013, Mr. Bernstein had been the CEO and of Propell Corporation and he also served as a director of Propell from April 2008 until July 1, 2013, an e-commerce provider he cofounded that enables schools and nonprofits to sell merchandise online for fundraising and other programs. Mr. Bernstein is also co-founder of Creekside LLC, a private technology consulting company. From April 2002 to October 2006 Mr. Bernstein served as Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of PhotoTLC, Inc. Mr. Bernstein also co-founded Palladium Interactive, Inc., and was an officer of Broderbund Software, Inc., and The Software Toolworks, Inc. (later renamed Mindscape, Inc.).

Table of Contents

Mark Kalow, Chairman of the Board of Directors. Mr. Kalow has been a director since December 2011 and was appointed as Lead Independent Director on May 8, 2012 and Chairman of the Board on November 6, 2013. Mr. Kalow is a Managing Director at Soquel Group, a consulting firm specializing in Intellectual Property and Business Development; he also serves on the board of; SmartCloud, a provider of real-time reasoning solutions for mission critical environments; Rope Partner, a wind energy service company; Geary LSF, an e-marketing services company; Propell Technologies Group, a developer of enhanced oil recovery technology (OTC: PROP); Dogfish Software, a software services provider; Pure Depth, a display technology licensing company; ACDgo, a digital media and storage software and services company; the Tannery Arts Center in Santa Cruz, CA and the Anna Mahler International Association, an arts organization in Spoleto Italy. His prior service on the board of other public companies has provided him with a strong corporate governance expertise and an understanding of the proper role and function of the Board. From Oct. 1999 to Sept. 2003, Mr. Kalow served as a Managing Director for the Venture Capital Division of Trans Cosmos USA, a Japanese IT services company and strategic investor in U.S. rich media, CRM e-commerce and e-marketing companies. From September 1993 to July 1998, Mr. Kalow was COO and CFO of Live Picture Inc. (LPI), a digital imaging software company that he co-founded. He was CEO of LPI from November 1998 through June 1999. Previously, Mr. Kalow held management positions at IBM and served as VP, Telecommunications Strategy at the Chase Manhattan Bank. Mr. Kalow holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Management from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and an MBA with a concentration in financial management from the University of Chicago. He attended Director's College at Stanford Law School, June 2006.

Ron Kenedi, Director. Mr. Kenedi has been a director since January 2011. The Board's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee decided that Mr. Kenedi should serve on the Company's Board based on his personal and professional qualities, including his proven integrity, absence of conflicts of interest, sound judgment, achievements in business and company management, business understanding, and available time to dedicate to the role. Mr. Kenedi's management roles with other solar energy companies and his expertise in the solar industry make him a valuable member of our Board. Mr. Kenedi is CEO of Solar Generation Network, a lead generation marketing company. He is also the President of Ron Kenedi Consulting. From 2002 through 2010, Mr. Kenedi served as vice president of Sharp Electronics Corporation's Solar Energy Solutions Group. Mr. Kenedi was responsible for the establishment and expansion of Sharp's North American solar division and played a key role in achieving several milestones in the solar arena. From 1999 to 2002, Mr. Kenedi was vice president of sales and marketing for Photocomm/Kyocera Solar. In this capacity, he created and developed the organization's dealer network, and expanded Kyocera's U.S. market share from 5 to 20 percent within two years. Mr. Kenedi launched "SOLA in NOLA," which supplied solar power systems to New Orleans communities impacted by Hurricane Katrina. Mr. Kenedi has served as a solar industry spokesperson and is a member of the Solar Energy Industry Association (SEIA), the California Solar Energy Industry Association (CALSEIA), the Arizona Solar Energy Industry Association (ARISEIA) and The International Solar Energy Society (ISEIA). In 1969, Mr. Kenedi earned a Bachelor of Arts (Magnum cum Laude), from the State University of New York at Stony Brook.

Margaret Randazzo, Director. Ms. Randazzo has been a director since November 2011. Since June 2014, Ms. Randazzo has served as the Chief Financial Officer of Hillbrook School. From May 2012 through June 2014, Ms. Randazzo was the Company's Chief Executive Officer. Ms. Randazzo was also the Company's Chief Financial Officer from December 2009 through June 2014. She also served as the Company's Controller from December 2008 through December 2009. The Board's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee decided that Ms. Randazzo should serve on the Company's Board based on her personal and professional qualities, including her proven integrity, sound judgment, achievements in business, business understanding, and her familiarity with and understanding of the Company's business. Ms. Randazzo brings to the Board significant executive leadership, operational experience, achievements in financial and accounting matters, an overall business understanding, as well as her familiarity and knowledge regarding public companies and corporate governance issues that public companies face which make her an ideal board candidate. Ms. Randazzo began her career as a manager in the Audit and Business Advisory Division of Arthur Andersen LLP in Dallas. In 1996, she joined the Fort Worth Star-Telegram as a financial planning manager

and in 1998, was named vice president and chief financial officer of the Star-Telegram. In 2001, Randazzo joined the Star-Telegram's corporate parent, Knight Ridder, and held positions of increasing responsibility at the company, including vice president and controller and special assistant to the president. In 2006, upon the McClatchy Company's acquisition of Knight Ridder, Ms. Randazzo was named president and publisher of The Modesto Bee and had oversight of the Merced Sun-Star. Ms. Randazzo earned a bachelor's of business administration degree in accounting from the University of Oklahoma and is a certified public accountant in the state of Texas.

Edward Roffman, Director. Mr. Roffman has been a director since August 2006. The Board's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee decided that Mr. Roffman should serve on the Company's Board based on his personal and professional qualities, including his proven integrity, achievements in financial and accounting matters, absence of conflicts of interest, demonstrated sound judgment, overall business understanding, and available time to dedicate to the role. Mr. Roffman's achievements in financial and accounting matters, his overall business understanding, as well as his familiarity and knowledge regarding public companies and corporate governance issues that public companies face make him an ideal board candidate. His familiarity with GAAP and Sarbanes Oxley provide him with the ability to understand and evaluate complex accounting issues. Since January 2012 Mr. Roffman served as Chief Financial Officer of Emerge Digital, Inc. Emerge is in the online video advertising business. Prior to Emerge, he served as the part-time Chief Financial Officer of Public Media Works, Inc. (October 2010 to October 2011) (Public Media Works was in the video rental business) and from January 2008 to December 2009, Mr. Roffman was the part-time Chief Financial Officer of Cryptic Studios, a developer of massively multiplayer video games. Mr. Roffman has also been a principal of Creekside, LLC, a consulting firm which specializes in the software, internet and consumer products industries. Mr. Roffman currently serves on the board of Caldera Pharmaceutical, Inc. (OTCBB). Caldera is a research and development company engaged in various aspects of drug discovery. The cornerstone of its business is its unique technology based on direct chemical analysis of protein-drug combinations by means of micro X-ray fluorescence. Mr. Roffman is a CPA with over 40 years of experience in accounting and finance. Mr. Roffman earned a BBA in accounting from Temple University.

There are no family relationships among our directors, nominees for director and executive officers.

Table of Contents

Summary Compensation Table

The following Summary Compensation Table sets forth certain information about the compensation paid, earned or accrued for services rendered to us in all capacities for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 by our President, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer and our other most highly compensated executive officers (our “Named Executive Officers”). We did not have any other executive officers in the year ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 that were paid or earned compensation in excess of \$100,000 for services rendered during such years.

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary	Stock Awards(1)	Option Awards(1)	All Other Compensation	Total
Steven Chan, President, Chief Executive Officer, interim Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer	2014	\$ 173,296	\$—	\$—	\$ 597 (3)	\$173,893
Wei-Tai Kwok, Chief Operating Officer	2014	\$24,433	\$—	\$—	\$ —	\$24,433
Margaret Randazzo, former President, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer	2014	\$123,700	\$21,339	\$—	\$ 350 (2)	\$145,389
	2013	\$216,563	\$9,430	\$—	\$ 1,200 (2)	\$227,193

(1) The amounts in this column represent the aggregate grant date fair values of the restricted stock and the option awards granted to the executives in each of the years in accordance with stock compensation accounting. See “Stock Incentive Plan” footnote in the Notes to our Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2013, for a discussion of all assumptions made by us in determining the valuation of the equity awards.

(2) Represents reimbursement for cell phone expense.

(3) Represents reimbursement of medical insurance.

Outstanding Equity Awards at Year-End

The following table sets forth certain information relating to equity awards outstanding as of December 31, 2014 for the Named Executive Officers.

Name	Grant Date	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Exercisable (#)	Option Awards	Option Exercise Price (\$/Sh)	Option Expiration Date	Stock Awards	Market Value of Shares or Units that Have
			Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Unexercisable (#)			Number of Shares of Stock that Have	

						Vested (#)	Not Vested (\$)
Steven Chan	04/14/2014	1,125,000(1)	7,875,000(1)	\$ 0.02	04/13/2019	—	—
	08/06/2014	250,000(2)	2,750,020(2)	\$ 0.02	08/05/2019	—	—
	08/06/2014	—(3)	3,000,000(3)	\$ 0.02	08/05/2019	—	—
Wei-Tai							
Kwok	11/07/2014	—(4)	6,000,000(4)	\$ 0.02	11/06/2019	—	—
	11/07/2014	—(2)	3,000,000(2)	0.02	11/06/2019	—	—
Margaret							
Randazzo	12/04/2009	18,750(5)	—(5)	\$ 4.00	12/03/2014	—	—
	07/26/2010	18,750(5)	—(5)	\$ 0.87	07/26/2015	—	—
	02/15/2011	62,500(5)	—(5)	\$ 2.16	02/14/2016	—	—
	11/06/2013	1,666,500(5)	833,500(5)	\$ 0.03	11/05/2018	—	—

- (1) Options vest as to 1/16th of the shares subject to the option on the six month anniversary of the date of issuance, another 1/16th vesting two months after such six months and thereafter vesting as to 1/16th each subsequent quarter.
- (2) Options vest as to 1/12th of the shares subject to the option on a quarterly basis over a 3 year vesting period.
- (3) Options vest as to 100% of the shares subject to the option on the five year anniversary from the date of grant, subject to accelerated vesting based on certain performance-based metrics.
- (4) Options fully vest on the fifth anniversary of the date of grant; however the options may be accelerated in increments of 600,000 options depending upon achievement of specified performance milestones.
- (5) Options granted vest over a three-year period beginning on each anniversary of the date of grant.

Table of Contents

Option Exercises and Stock Vested

The following table sets forth certain information relating to the exercise of stock options and the vesting of stock awards during the year ended December 31, 2014 for each Named Executive Officers.

Name	Option Awards		Stock Awards	
	Number of Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)	Value Realized on Exercise (\$)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting (#)	Value Realized on Vesting (\$)
Steven Chan	—	\$ —	—	\$ —
Wei-Tai Kwok	—	\$ —	—	\$ —
Margaret Randazzo	—	\$ —	938,750	\$ 21,339

Employment Agreements and Post Termination Compensation

On May 7, 2012, Margaret Randazzo was appointed as the Company's interim chief executive officer, president, and secretary. She also continued in her capacity as the chief financial officer. In connection with her appointment as the Company's interim CEO, the Company entered into an employment agreement pursuant to which the Company agreed to pay Ms. Randazzo an annual gross salary of \$225,000 until December 31, 2012 or the earlier closing of the proposed merger transaction which we had been negotiating, upon which a reasonably acceptable successor position would be agreed upon between the parties, with a salary of not less than \$225,000 on an annual basis, and a target bonus not less than 45% of the base salary. In addition to Ms. Randazzo's salary as interim CEO, she was also eligible to participate in the Company's bonus program (with a target bonus of \$100,000, of which 50% would be payable in stock of the Company or a successor employer (valued at the VWAP (Volume Weighted Average Price) for the 10 trading days preceding the consummation of the merger) and 50% would be payable in cash in the last payroll distribution of December 2012), plus health and other benefits programs. There was no bonus paid to Ms. Randazzo's for the year ended December 31, 2013, due to the Company's limited financial resources. On July 18, 2013 the Company terminated its merger agreement with CBD. Ms. Randazzo resigned her employment with us in July 2014.

In connection with his appointment, Mr. Chan entered into an employment agreement with the Company date April 14, 2014. Pursuant to the Employment Agreement, Mr. Chan is entitled to an annual base salary of \$250,000 and is eligible for discretionary performance bonus payments. For the years ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2015, the annual bonus that Executive is eligible to receive is a bonus of options exercisable for an additional one million (1,000,000) and one million five hundred thousand (1,500,000) shares of common stock, respectively, in each case subject to approval of the both the Compensation Committee and the Board of Directors. Additionally, Mr. Chan was granted options to purchase 9,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock with an exercise price equal to the Company's per share market price on the date of issue. These options will vest as to 1/16th of the shares subject to the option on the six month anniversary of the date of issuance, another 1/16th vesting two months after such six months and thereafter vesting as to 1/16th each subsequent quarter. Mr. Chan also executed a related agreement that includes confidentiality obligations and inventions assignments by Mr. Chan.

In connection with his appointment, Mr. Kwok entered into an employment agreement with the Company dated November 7, 2014. Pursuant to the Employment Agreement, Mr. Kwok will be entitled to an annual base salary of \$165,000 and will be eligible for discretionary performance bonus payments. For the year ended December 31, 2015,

the annual bonus that Mr. Kwok is eligible to receive is a bonus of up to \$45,000. Additionally, Mr. Kwok was granted options to purchase 9 million shares of the Company's common stock with an exercise price equal to the Company's per share market price on the date of issue. Of the 9 million options, 3 million of these options will vest as to one twelfth (1/12 th) of the shares each quarter, so that the option will be fully vested and exercisable three years from the start date, subject to Mr. Kwok continuing to provide services to the Company through the relevant vesting dates, and 6 million of these options shall vest upon the fifth anniversary of the start date; provided, that options may be accelerated in increments of 600,000 depending upon achievement by Mr. Kwok of specified performance milestones as set forth in a separate option agreement which shall be measured as of the end of each calendar quarter. Mr. Kwok also executed a related agreement that includes confidentiality obligations and inventions assignments by Mr. Kwok.

Table of Contents

Director Compensation

The following table sets forth certain information concerning the compensation paid or earned by the Directors who were not Named Executive Officers for services rendered in all capacities during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014.

Name	Fees Earned or Paid in Cash	Restricted Stock Awards Aggregate Fair Value	Stock Option Awards Aggregate Fair Value	Total
Edward L. Bernstein	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
Mark L. Kalow	\$12,000	\$—	\$—	\$12,000
Ron Kenedi	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
Margaret Randazzo	\$—	—	—	—
Edward Roffman	\$6,000	\$—	\$—	\$6,000

Table of Contents

Committees of the Board of Directors and Meeting Attendance

The Company has standing Nominating and Corporate Governance, Audit, and Compensation Committees of the Board of Directors.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee (the “Nominating Committee”) is comprised of Messrs. Bernstein, Kalow, Kenedi and Roffman. The Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors performs the functions typical of a nominating committee, including: (i) developing and recommending corporate governance principles and procedures applicable to the Board of Directors and the Company’s employees; (ii) recommending committee composition and assignments; (iii) identifying individuals qualified to become directors; (iv) recommending director nominees; (v) recommending whether incumbent directors should be nominated for re-election to the Board of Directors and (vi) reviewing the adequacy of the Nominating Committee charter.

The Audit Committee. The Audit Committee is comprised of Messrs. Bernstein, Kalow, and Roffman. Our Board has designated Mr. Roffman our audit committee financial expert as defined in Item 407(d)(5)(ii) of Regulation S-K and the Chairman of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors has the authority and responsibility to select, evaluate and, when appropriate, replace the company’s independent registered public accounting firm. The Audit Committee monitors the activities of the Company’s external auditors, including the audit scope, the external audit fees, auditor independence matters and the extent to which the independent auditors may be retained to perform advisory services. The Audit Committee also reviews the results of the external audit work to assess the adequacy and appropriateness of the Company’s financial and accounting controls. The Audit Committee reviews changes in accounting standards that impact the Company’s financial statements and discusses with management major events, including legal matters and tax audits, which may have significant financial impact or are the subject of discussions with the independent auditors. In addition, the Audit Committee oversees the Company’s internal audit and compliance programs.

The Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee is comprised of Messrs. Bernstein, Kalow and Roffman. The Compensation Committee administers the Company’s Stock Plan, including the review and grant of stock options and restricted stock to officers, directors and other employees under the Stock Plan. The Compensation Committee also reviews and approves various other Company compensation policies and matters, and reviews and approves salaries and other matters relating to compensation of the executive officers of the Company. The Compensation Committee reviews and approves on an annual basis the corporate goals and objectives with respect to the compensation for the Company’s Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers. The Committee evaluates at least once a year the Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers’ performance in light of these established goals and objectives and based upon these evaluations shall recommend to the full Board the Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers’ annual compensation, including salary, bonus, incentive and equity compensation. The Compensation Committee develops and periodically assesses the Compensation Committee’s compensation policies applicable to the Company’s executive officers and directors, including the relationship of corporate performance to executive compensation. The Compensation Committee reviews and recommends to the Board appropriate director compensation programs for service as directors, committee chairs and committee members.

Table of Contents

SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT

The following table sets forth certain information, as of January 8, 2015, with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock by: (i) each holder of more than five percent (5%) of the outstanding shares of our common stock; (ii) our executive officers and directors; and (iii) all our executive officers and directors as a group. The Company's issued and outstanding voting securities at the close of business on January 8, 2015, consisted of 279,475,332 shares of common stock.

Unless otherwise indicated below, to our knowledge, all persons listed below have sole voting and investment power with respect to their shares of common stock, except to the extent authority is shared by spouses under applicable law. Unless otherwise indicated below, each entity or person listed below maintains an address of c/o Andalay Solar, Inc., 1071 Ringwood Ave., Unit C, San Jose, CA 95131.

The number of shares beneficially owned by each stockholder is determined under rules promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The information is not necessarily indicative of beneficial ownership for any other purpose. Under these rules, beneficial ownership includes any shares as to which the individual or entity has sole or shared voting or investment power and any shares as to which the individual or entity has the right to acquire beneficial ownership within 60 days after January 8, 2015 through the exercise of any stock option, warrant or other right. The inclusion in the following table of those shares, however, does not constitute an admission that the named stockholder is a direct or indirect beneficial owner.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner (1)		Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership	Percent of Class (2)
Alpha Capital Anstalt Pradafant 7, Furstentums 9490 Vaduz, Liechtenstein	(3)	30,811,820	9.99%
Edward L. Bernstein	(4)	796,333	*
Mark Kalow	(5)	786,586	*
Ron Kenedi	(6)	807,076	*
Ed Roffman	(7)	746,307	*
Margaret Randazzo	(8)	2,424,000	*
Steven Chan	(9)	2,187,480	*
Wei-Tai Kwok	(10)	250,000	*
All Executive officers and directors as a group (7 persons, including the executive officer and directors names above)		7,997,782	2.7%

* Less than 1%

(1) Unless otherwise indicated, the address for each of the stockholders is c/o Andalay Solar, Inc. 2071 Ringwood Ave., Unit C, San Jose, CA 95131.

(2) The applicable percentage of ownership for each beneficial owner is based on 279,475,332 shares of common stock outstanding as of January 8, 2015. In calculating the number of shares beneficially owned by a stockholder and the percentage of ownership of that stockholder, shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options or warrants, or the conversion of other securities held by that stockholder, that are exercisable within 60 days, are deemed outstanding for that holder; however, such shares are not deemed outstanding for computing the percentage ownership of any other stockholder.

(3)

- Includes 2,168,936 shares of common stock, as reported in Schedule 13 G/A dated February 28, 2013 and 28,642,884 shares of common stock, in aggregate, that may be obtained upon conversion of outstanding convertible notes payable. The holder currently holds \$500,000 in convertible notes, which are convertible into 25,000,000 shares. In addition, the holder currently holds warrants to purchase 21,428,437 shares of common stock.
- (4) Includes 678,125 shares of nonqualified stock options which are exercisable for shares of Andalay Solar's common stock within 60 days of January 8, 2015. Does not include 325,000 shares of nonqualified stock issuable upon exercise of options which vest in November 2015.
- (5) Includes 663,370 shares of nonqualified stock options which are exercisable for shares of Andalay Solar's common stock within 60 days of January 8, 2015. Does not include 325,000 shares of nonqualified stock issuable upon the exercise of options which vest in November 2015.
- (6) Includes 674,238 shares of nonqualified stock options which are exercisable for shares of Andalay Solar's common stock within 60 days of January 8, 2015. Does not include 325,000 shares of nonqualified stock issuable upon the exercise of options which vest in November 2015.
- (7) Includes 678,125 shares of nonqualified stock options which are exercisable for shares of Andalay Solar's common stock within 60 days of January 8, 2015. Does not include 325,000 shares of nonqualified stock issuable upon the exercise of options which vest in November 2015.
- (8) Includes 1,747,750 shares of nonqualified stock options which are exercisable for shares of Andalay Solar's common stock within 60 days of January 8, 2015. Does not include 833,500 shares of nonqualified stock issuable upon the exercise of options which vest over the next five years.
- (9) Includes 2,187,480 shares of nonqualified stock options which are exercisable for shares of Andalay Solar's common stock within 60 days of January 8, 2015. Does not include 12,812,520 shares of nonqualified stock issuable upon the exercise of options which vest in various dates over the next five years.
- (10) Includes 250,000 shares of nonqualified stock options which are exercisable for shares of Andalay Solar's common stock within 60 days of January 8, 2015. Does not include 8,750,000 shares of nonqualified stock issuable upon the exercise of options which vest in various dates over the next five years.

Table of Contents

TRADING MARKET

There is currently a limited trading market for our common stock on the OTCQB. The shares will be sold at the prevailing market price at the time of sale or privately negotiated prices.

SELLING SECURITY HOLDER

The shares to be offered by the selling security holder were issued in private placement transactions by us, each of which was exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. The shares offered hereby are “restricted” securities under applicable federal and state securities laws and are being registered under the Securities Act, to give the selling security holder the opportunity to publicly sell these shares. This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-1 filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act covering the resale of such shares of our common stock from time to time by the selling security holder. No estimate can be given as to the amount or percentage of our common stock that will be held by the selling security holder after any sales made pursuant to this prospectus because the selling security holder is not required to sell any of the shares being registered under this prospectus. The following table assumes that the selling security holder will sell all of the shares listed in this prospectus.

The following table sets forth the name of each person who is offering for resale shares of common stock covered by this prospectus, the beneficial ownership of each selling security holder, the number of shares of common stock that may be sold in this offering and the number of shares of common stock each will own after the offering, assuming they sell all of the shares offered. The term “selling security holder” includes the stockholder listed below and its transferees, assignees, pledges, donees or other successors. Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission and generally includes voting or investment power with respect to securities. There are no shares of common stock subject to options, warrants and convertible securities.

Shareholder and Name of Person Controlling	Amount of Shares owned before Offering	Number of shares offered	Amount of shares owned after Offering	Percent of shares held after Offering
Southridge Partners II LP (1) (2)	500,000	85,000,000	500,000	*%
Total	500,000	85,000,000	500,000	*%

•Less than 1%.

(1) The 500,000 shares set forth in the table represent shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of a note payable in the principal amount of \$10,000.

(2) Steve Hicks is the managing member of Southridge Advisors II, LLC, the general partner of Southridge and has voting and investment control over Southridge.

Table of Contents

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ISSUER AND THE SELLING SECURITY HOLDER

Other than as set forth below, the selling security holder has not at any time during the past three years acted as one of our employees, officers or directors or had a material relationship with us. On February 20, 2013, we entered into a consulting agreement with SC Advisors Inc., an affiliate of the selling security holder, to provide variety of financial management, business consulting and advisory services. These services included cash flow projection, financial statement preparation, balance sheet optimization and debt restructuring advice, as well as third party service provider support, such as-coordinating functions with auditors and legal counsel, and interfacing with investor/public relations to increase our awareness in the financial marketplace and help keep our shareholders abreast of our current developments. In consideration of its services under the consulting agreement, since March 1, 2013, SC Advisors Inc. has received a monthly fee of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), in the form of shares of our Series D Preferred, valued at the \$1,000 stated value per share of the Series D Preferred or convertible notes. The consulting agreement may be terminated by either party without cause upon thirty (30) days prior written notice; provided however that if we had terminated the consulting agreement without cause during the 4 month period following its effective date, we would have still remained obligated to pay the consulting fee through the end of such term. The consulting agreement may also be terminated by either party for cause at any time. We have further agreed to indemnify SC Advisors Inc. against any actions, losses, damages, claims, liabilities, costs and expenses (including without limitation, reasonable legal fees and expenses) in any way arising out of or relating to the consulting agreement, unless it is due to gross negligence on their part. In addition, on January 22, 2014, we entered into a debt settlement arrangement with ASC Recap, LLC, an affiliate of the selling shareholder, pursuant to which we agreed to issue shares of our common stock in a 3(a)(10) proceeding to ASC Recap, LLC as payment for certain prior debt of ours that ASC Recap LLC, acquired from our prior creditors at a discount. We agreed to pay ASC Recap, LLC through the issuance of shares of our common stock an amount equal to 250% of the discounted amount ASC Recap, LLC paid for the debit, which is substantially below the original amount we owed to the prior creditors. Upon payment from ASC Recap, LLC the creditors provided us with a full release from all liability owed to them. On February 21, 2014, ASC Recap filed with the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida (the "Court") an amended complaint and demand for payment of the debt it acquired from one of our creditors. On February 26, 2014, we entered into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation with ASC Recap LLC that was filed with the Court pursuant to which we agreed, subject to court approval, to issue shares of our common stock in a Section 3(a) (10) proceeding that generate proceeds in the amount of \$250,000 in full settlement of a claim in the amount of \$1,027,705 that ASC Recap acquired from one Creditor (the value of the stock that we agreed to issue was two hundred and fifty percent (250%) of the discounted purchase price ASC paid to purchase the debt from the Creditor, and approximately 25% of the original amount we owed to the Creditor). We are awaiting court approval of the settlement.

We entered into the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge in January 2014 pursuant to which we issued 35,000,000 shares of our common stock and we received \$684,000 from the sale of the common stock. We paid Southridge a commitment fee of 1,000,000 shares of our common stock. On December 9, 2014, we terminated the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge that was entered into in January 2014 and entered into the December Equity Purchase Agreement

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The selling security holder of our common stock and any of its transferees, pledgees, assignees, donees, and successors-in-interest may, from time to time, sell any or all of their shares of common stock on the stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or in private transactions. These sales may be at fixed or negotiated prices. The selling security holder may use any one or more of the following methods when selling shares:

ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;

block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;

purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;

an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;

privately negotiated transactions;

broker-dealers may agree with the selling security holders to sell a specified number of such shares at a stipulated price per share;

a combination of any such methods of sale; or

any other method permitted pursuant to applicable law.

Table of Contents

Broker-dealers engaged by the selling security holder may arrange for other broker-dealers to participate in sales. Broker-dealers may receive commissions or discounts from the selling security holder (or, if any broker-dealer acts as agent for the purchaser of shares, from the purchaser) in amounts to be negotiated. The selling security holder does not expect these commissions and discounts relating to its sales of shares to exceed what is customary in the types of transactions involved.

The selling security holder and any broker-dealers or agents that are involved in selling the shares of common stock are “underwriters” within the meaning of the Securities Act in connection with such sales. In such event, any commissions received by such broker-dealers or agents and any profit on the resale of the shares purchased by them is deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act. Because the selling security holder is an underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act, it will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act. Discounts, concessions, commissions and similar selling expenses, if any, that can be attributed to the sale of common stock will be paid by the selling security holder and/or the purchasers. The selling security holder has represented and warranted to our company that it acquired the securities subject to this registration statement in the ordinary course of such selling security holder’s business and, at the time of its purchase of such securities such selling security holder had no agreements or understandings, directly or indirectly, with any person to distribute any such securities.

There is no underwriter or coordinating broker acting in connection with the proposed sale of the resale shares by the selling security holder. We are required to pay certain fees and expenses incurred by us incident to the registration of the shares. We have agreed to indemnify the selling security holder against certain losses, claims, damages and liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

The selling security holder may from time to time pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the shares owned by it, and, if it defaults in the performance of its secured obligations, the pledgees or secured parties may offer and sell shares of common stock from time to time under this prospectus, or under an amendment to this prospectus under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act amending the list of selling security holders to include the pledgee, transferee or other successors-in-interest as selling security holders under this prospectus. Upon our company being notified in writing by the selling security holder that any material arrangement has been entered into with a broker-dealer for the sale of common stock through a block trade, special offering, exchange distribution or secondary distribution or a purchase by a broker or dealer, a supplement to this prospectus will be filed, if required, pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act, disclosing: (i) the name of each such selling security holder and of the participating broker-dealer(s); (ii) the number of shares involved; (iii) the price at which such the shares of common stock were sold; (iv) the commissions paid or discounts or concessions allowed to such broker-dealer(s), where applicable; (v) that such broker-dealer(s) did not conduct any investigation to verify the information set out or incorporated by reference in this prospectus; and (vi) other facts material to the transaction.

Under applicable rules and regulations under the Exchange Act, any person engaged in the distribution of the resale shares may not simultaneously engage in market making activities with respect to our common stock for a period of two business days prior to the commencement of the distribution. In addition, the selling security holders will be subject to applicable provisions of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder, including Regulation M, which may limit the timing of purchases and sales of shares of our common stock by the selling security holders or any other person. We will make copies of this prospectus available to the selling security holders and have informed them of the need to deliver a copy of this prospectus to each purchaser at or prior to the time of the sale.

Although Southridge has agreed not to enter into any “short sales” of our common stock, sales after delivery of a put notice of a number of shares reasonably expected to be purchased under a put notice shall not be deemed a “short sale.” Accordingly, Southridge may enter into arrangements it deems appropriate with respect to sales of shares of our

common stock after it receives a put notice under the December Equity Purchase Agreement so long as such sales or arrangements do not involve more than the number of put shares expected to be purchased by Southridge as specified in the notice.

CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

Our current Board of Directors is comprised of Steven Chan, who is also our CEO, Edward L. Bernstein, Mark L. Kalow, Ron Kenedi, Edward Roffman and Margaret Randazzo. Although our common stock is no longer listed on any national securities exchange, for purposes of independence we use the definition of independence applied by The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC. The Board of Directors has determined that, other than Steven Chan and Margaret Randazzo each of the current members of the Board is an “independent director.” On May 8, 2012, Mr. Kalow was appointed “Lead Independent Director.” The Lead Independent Director was established to serve in a lead capacity to coordinate the activities of the other independent directors of the Board of Directors, as required. In the course of the Board of Director’s determination regarding the independence of each non-management director, it considered any transactions, relationships and arrangements as required by the applicable rules and regulations of the SEC. On November 6, 2013, Mr. Kalow was appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors. The Company was not a party to any transaction, relationship or other arrangement with any of its “independent directors” that was considered by our Board of Directors under the Marketplace Rules in the determination of such director’s independence.

Table of Contents

Each member of the Audit Committee meets the independence requirements prescribed Section 10A of The Securities Exchange Act.

Our policy and procedure for the review, approval or ratification of any related party transaction is to present the proposed transaction approval to the appropriate Committee of our Board of Directors, depending upon the type of transaction – either the Compensation Committee for matters relating to compensation or services, the Audit Committee for general financial transactions, or the Corporate Governance Committee for matters relating to independence or potential conflicts of interest. Each of those Committees is comprised entirely of independent directors. In addition, any request for us to enter into a transaction with an executive officer, director or employee, or any of such persons' immediate family members or affiliates, must first be presented to our Audit Committee for review, consideration and approval. In approving or rejecting the proposed agreement, our Audit Committee will review each such transaction for potential conflicts of interest or improprieties.

There were no relationships or related party transactions during the years ended December 31, 2014 or 2013 requiring disclosure.

Procedures for Approval of Related Person Transactions

Any request for us to enter into a transaction with an executive officer, director or employee, or any of such persons' immediate family members or affiliates, must first be presented to our Audit Committee for review, consideration and approval. In approving or rejecting the proposed agreement, our Audit Committee will review each such transaction for potential conflicts of interest or improprieties.

DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

We have 501,000,000 shares of capital stock authorized under our certificate of incorporation, consisting of 500,000,000 shares of common stock and 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock. As of January 8, 2015, we had 279,475,332 shares of common stock outstanding. As of January 8, 2015, we have authorized: (i) 2,000 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, (ii) 4,000 shares of Series B 4% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, (iii) 1,175 shares of our Series C 8% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 and (iv) 1,180 shares of our Series D Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, all of which have been converted or cancelled and none of which remain outstanding.

The holders of our common stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters to be voted on by the shareholders. Subject to preferences that may be applicable to any outstanding shares of Preferred Stock, holders of common stock are entitled to receive ratably such dividends as may be declared by the Board out of funds legally available therefore. If we liquidate, dissolve or wind up, holders of common stock are entitled to share ratably in all assets remaining after payment of liabilities and the liquidation preferences of any outstanding shares of Preferred Stock. Holders of common stock have no preemptive, conversion or subscription rights. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to the common stock. All outstanding shares of common stock are, and all shares of common stock to be outstanding upon completion of this offering will be, fully paid and nonassessable. Except as otherwise required by Delaware law, all stockholder action, other than the election of directors, is taken by the vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock voting as a single class present at a meeting of stockholders at which a quorum consisting of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock is present in person or proxy. The election of directors by our stockholders is determined by a plurality of the votes cast by the stockholders entitled to vote at any meeting held for such purposes at which a quorum consisting of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock is present in person or proxy.

Table of Contents

Warrants

Outstanding Warrants

As of January 8, 2015, we had issued and outstanding a total of 22,148,045 warrants to purchase our common stock outstanding at a weighted-average price of \$0.23.

Registration Rights

We have granted “piggy-back” registration rights to the holders of Series D Preferred to include the underlying shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Series D Preferred in future registration statements, if any are filed by us. The Securities Purchase Agreement that we entered into with the holders of the Series D Preferred also provides the holders a right to participate in any of our future debt and equity offerings of securities until December 31, 2013.

On each of August 30, 2013, November 25, 2013, December 19, 2013, January 27, 2014 and February 25, 2014, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of convertible notes each in the principal amount of \$200,000, \$200,000, \$250,000, \$100,000 and \$200,000 that mature August 29, 2015, November 24, 2015, December 19, 2015, January 27, 2016 and February 26, 2016, respectively (the "Convertible Notes"). We have also granted the holder of the \$200,000 Convertible Notes “piggy-back” registration rights to include the underlying shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the Convertible Notes in future registration statements, if any as are filed by us. The securities purchase agreement that we entered into with the holder of the Convertible Note also provides such holder a right to participate in any of our future debt and equity offerings. The holders of the piggyback registration rights have waived such rights with respect to the registration of securities under the Equity Line. On March 18, 2014, we issued under the Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with the institutional investor on February 25, 2014 a (i) convertible note in the principal amount of \$300,000 that matures March 18, 2016 and (ii) five-year warrant (with a cashless exercise feature under certain circumstances) to purchase 7,500,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. The convertible notes bears interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, are payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. Subject to us fulfilling certain conditions, including beneficial ownership limits, the convertible notes are subject to mandatory conversion if the closing price of our common stock for any 20 consecutive days commencing six months after the issue date of the convertible notes equals or exceeds \$0.04 per share. Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible notes can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion.

Preferred Stock

Our Board of Directors has the authority, without action by our stockholders, to designate and issue up to 1 million shares of preferred stock in one or more series or classes and to designate the rights, preferences and privileges of each series or class, which may be greater than the rights of our common stock. It is not possible to state the actual effect of the issuance of any additional shares of preferred stock upon the rights of holders of our common stock until our Board of Directors determines the specific rights of the holders of the preferred stock. However, the effects might include:

- restricting dividends on our common stock;
- diluting the voting power of our common stock;
- impairing liquidation rights of our common stock; or
- delaying or preventing a change in control of us without further action by our stockholders.

The Board of Directors' authority to issue preferred stock without stockholder approval could make it more difficult for a third-party to acquire control of our company, and could discourage such attempt. We have no present plans to issue any shares of preferred stock.

The holders of our Series B Preferred are entitled to receive, and we are obligated to pay, cumulative dividends at the rate per share (as a percentage of the stated value per share) of 4% per annum for the first year and thereafter 8%, payable quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31. Dividends are payable in cash or in shares of newly issued common stock, depending on whether we have cash available for lawful payment of dividends and whether we satisfy certain conditions for the alternative to pay the dividends in shares. Each share of Series B Preferred is convertible, at any time at the option of the holder thereof, into that number of our shares of common stock (subject to certain limitations) determined by dividing the Stated Value per share of Series B Preferred by the Conversion Price which currently is \$0.02 per share. The conversion price of the Series B Preferred is subject to anti-dilution protection upon the happening of certain events such as stock splits as well as certain other issuances below the price at which the Series B Preferred was issued.

Table of Contents

Our Series B Preferred generally is non-voting, provided that our holders of Series B Preferred have rights of approval with regard to amendments to our Certificate of Incorporation or to the Certificate of Designation that would adversely affect the rights of our Series B Preferred. Our Series B Preferred provides for a number of negative covenants applicable to us, including restrictions on the amount of our indebtedness and related liens, and restrictions on our use of cash to redeem or to pay dividends with respect to our common stock or other junior securities. In various “triggering event” circumstances set forth in the Series B Certificate of Designation, the holders of our Series B Preferred have rights to demand the redemption of their shares, for cash or for shares of our common stock, depending on the nature of the triggering event, including a change of control.

The holders of our Series C Preferred are entitled to receive, and we are obligated to pay, cumulative dividends at the rate per share (as a percentage of the stated value per share) of 8% per annum, payable quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31. Dividends are payable in cash or in shares of newly issued common stock, depending on whether we have cash available for lawful payment of dividends and whether we satisfy certain conditions for the alternative to pay the dividends in shares. Each share of Series C Preferred is convertible, at any time at the option of the holder thereof, into that number of our shares of common stock (subject to certain limitations) determined by dividing the Stated Value per share of Series C Preferred by the Conversion Price which currently is \$0.02 per share. The conversion price of the Series C Preferred is subject to anti-dilution protection upon the happening of certain events such as stock splits as well as certain other issuances below the price at which the Series C Preferred was issued.

Our Series C Preferred generally is non-voting, provided that our holders of Series C Preferred have rights of approval with regard to amendments to our Certificate of Incorporation or to the Certificate of Designation that would adversely affect the rights of our Series C Preferred. Our Series C Preferred provides for a number of negative covenants applicable to us, including restrictions on the amount of our indebtedness) and related liens, and restrictions on our use of cash to redeem or to pay dividends with respect to our common stock or other junior securities. In various “triggering event” circumstances set forth in the Series C Certificate of Designation, the holders of our Series C Preferred have rights to demand the redemption of their shares, for cash or for shares of our common stock, depending on the nature of the triggering event, including a change of control.

The holders of our Series D Preferred are entitled to receive, and we are obligated to pay, cumulative dividends at the rate per share (as a percentage of the stated value per share) of 8% per annum, payable quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31. Dividends are payable in cash or in shares of newly issued common stock, depending on whether we have cash available for lawful payment of dividends and whether we satisfy certain conditions for the alternative to pay the dividends in shares. Each share of Series D Preferred is convertible at the option of the holder thereof, commencing upon the earlier of the date that is 180 days after the initial closing (that is, August 14, 2013) or the date two business days after our next stockholder meeting, into that number of shares of our common stock (subject to certain limitations) determined by dividing the Stated Value (which initially was \$1000) per share of Series D Preferred by a \$ conversion price, which currently is \$0.02 per share. After the initial closing, the securities purchase agreement permits the holder of the Series D Preferred to exercise a “call” right to purchase additional Series D Preferred in multiple draw downs from time to time until December 31, 2013, subject to certain limits, terms and conditions. Based on the initial Conversion Price, the 150 shares of Series D Preferred issued on the date hereof would be convertible into 1,500,000 shares of common stock. The conversion price of the Series D Preferred is subject to anti-dilution protection upon the happening of certain events such as stock splits as well as certain other issuances below the price at which the Series D Preferred was issued.

Our Series D Preferred generally is non-voting, provided that our holders of Series D Preferred have rights of approval with regard to amendments to our Certificate of Incorporation or to the Certificate of Designation that would adversely affect the rights of our Series C Preferred. Our Series D Preferred provides for a number of negative

covenants applicable to us, including restrictions on the amount of our indebtedness and related liens, and restrictions on our use of cash to redeem or to pay dividends with respect to our common stock or other junior securities. In various “triggering event” circumstances set forth in the Series D Certificate of Designation, the holders of our Series D Preferred have rights to demand the redemption of their shares, for cash or for shares of our common stock, depending on the nature of the triggering event, including a change of control.

As of January 8, 2015, we have authorized (i) 2,000 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, (ii) 4,000 shares of Series B 4% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, (iii) 1,175 shares of our Series C 8% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, and (iv) 1,180 shares of our Series D 8% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001. All preferred stock has been converted or cancelled and none remain outstanding.

Table of Contents

SHARES ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE

The sale of a substantial amount of our common stock in the public market after this offering, or the perception that such sales may occur, could adversely affect the prevailing market price of our common stock.

Upon the completion of this offering, we will have 365,475,332 shares of common stock outstanding.

Of the shares to be outstanding after the closing of this offering, the shares sold in this offering will not be eligible for resale under Rule 144 of the Securities Act but will be freely tradable without restriction under the Securities Act by reason of this registration statement.

Transfer Agent

Our transfer agent is American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, 1218 Third Avenue Suite 1700, Seattle, Washington 98101, telephone (206) 682-0811.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Andalay Solar, Inc. as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 and for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2013 included in this prospectus have been so included in reliance on the report (which contains an explanatory paragraph relating to the Company's ability to continue as a going concern as described in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements) of Burr Pilger Mayer, Inc., an independent registered public accounting firm, given the authority of such firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

DISCLOSURE OF COMMISSION POSITION ON INDEMNIFICATION
FOR SECURITIES ACT LIABILITIES

Our directors and officers are indemnified as provided by the Delaware General Corporation Law and our Certificate of Incorporation. Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law provides that a director or officer is not individually liable to the corporation or its stockholders or creditors for any damages as a result of any act or failure to act in his capacity as a director or officer unless it is proven that: (1) his act or failure to act constituted a breach of his fiduciary duties as a director or officer; and (2) his breach of those duties involved intentional misconduct, fraud or a knowing violation of law. Our Certificate of Incorporation provides for indemnification of our directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law.

This provision is intended to afford directors and officers protection against and to limit their potential liability for monetary damages resulting from suits alleging a breach of the duty of care by a director or officer. As a consequence of this provision, stockholders of our company will be unable to recover monetary damages against directors or officers for action taken by them that may constitute negligence or gross negligence in performance of their duties unless such conduct falls within one of the foregoing exceptions. The provision, however, does not alter the applicable standards governing a director's or officer's fiduciary duty and does not eliminate or limit the right of our company or any stockholder to obtain an injunction or any other type of non-monetary relief in the event of a breach of fiduciary duty.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of our common stock offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Gracin & Marlow, LLP, New York, New York.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Exchange Act, and file annual and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. These reports, proxy statements and other information filed by Andalay Solar, Inc. can be read and copied at the Commission's Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330. We will provide to the record holders of our securities a copy of our annual reports containing audited financial statements and such periodic and quarterly reports free of charge upon request.

The Commission also maintains a website that contains reports, proxy statements, information statements and other information located at <http://www.sec.gov>. This prospectus does not contain all the information required to be in the registration statement (including the exhibits), which we have filed with the Commission under the Securities Act and to which reference is made in this prospectus.

Table of Contents

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of
Andalay Solar, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Andalay Solar, Inc. (formerly Westinghouse Solar, Inc.) and its subsidiaries (the "Company") as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in redeemable convertible preferred stock and stockholders' equity (deficit) and cash flows for each of the years then ended. The Company's management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Andalay Solar, Inc. (formerly Westinghouse Solar, Inc.) and its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Company's significant operating losses and negative cash flow from operations raise substantial doubt about its ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

/s/ Burr Pilger Mayer, Inc.

San Francisco, California
March 7, 2014

Andalay Solar, Inc.
Consolidated Balance Sheets

	December 31,	
	2013	2012
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 150,081	\$ 127,385
Accounts receivable, net	567,523	365,845
Other receivables	21,378	121,990
Inventory, net	786,636	995,713
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	317,510	420,108
Assets of discontinued operations	—	10,896
Total current assets	1,843,128	2,041,937
Property and equipment, net	13,854	46,877
Patents, net	1,244,712	1,329,046
Other assets, net	163,711	183,258
Assets of discontinued operations – long-term	200,000	200,000
Total assets	\$ 3,465,405	\$ 3,801,118
Liabilities, Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Deficit		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 4,199,511	\$ 3,329,537
Accrued liabilities	89,730	488,956
Accrued warranty	344,990	329,680
Common stock warrant liability	—	9
Credit facility	500,000	—
Capital lease obligations – current portion	299	4,385
Derivative liability – embedded conversion feature	177,927	—
Current portion of long-term debt	129,839	—
Convertible notes – short-term	60,000	—
Liabilities of discontinued operations	967,928	1,052,819
Total current liabilities	6,470,224	5,205,386
Capital lease obligations, less current portion	—	328
Convertible notes, less current portion (net of discount)	382,084	—
Total liabilities	6,852,308	5,205,714
Commitments and contingencies (Note 17)		
Series C convertible redeemable preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; 87 and 800 shares issued and outstanding on December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively	163,998	983,747
Series D convertible redeemable preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; 860 and 0 shares issued and outstanding on December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively	858,565	—
Stockholders' deficit:		
Series B convertible redeemable preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; 467 and 2,243 shares issued and outstanding on December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively	146,224	741,171
	116,339	26,925

Edgar Filing: Andalay Solar, Inc. - Form 424B3

Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 500,000,000 shares authorized; 116,339,293 and 26,924,643 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively (Note 1)

Additional paid-in capital	78,717,997	76,455,054
Accumulated deficit	(83,390,026)	(79,611,493)
Total stockholders' deficit	(4,409,466)	(2,388,343)
Total liabilities, redeemable convertible preferred stock and stockholders' deficit	\$3,465,405	\$3,801,118

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

F - 2

Andalay Solar, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Operations

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2013	2012
Net revenue	\$1,124,836	\$5,222,248
Cost of goods sold	1,121,612	5,249,121
Gross profit (loss)	3,224	(26,873)
Operating expenses		
Sales and marketing	887,305	2,078,830
General and administrative	2,377,703	6,012,542
Total operating expenses	3,265,008	8,091,372
Loss from operations	(3,261,784)	(8,118,245)
Other income (expense)		
Interest income (expense), net	(65,031)	(103,429)
Other income	420,000	—
Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives	65,962	—
Adjustment to the fair value of common stock warrants	9	(416,526)
Total other income (expense)	420,940	(519,955)
Loss before provision for income taxes	(2,840,844)	(8,638,200)
Provision for income taxes	—	—
Net loss from continuing operations	(2,840,844)	(8,638,200)
Gain from operations of discontinued component	10,797	15,807
Net loss	(2,830,047)	(8,622,393)
Preferred stock dividend	(153,305)	(174,342)
Preferred deemed dividend	(875,304)	(362,903)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$(3,858,656)	\$(9,159,638)
Net loss per common and common equivalent share (basic and diluted) attributable to common shareholders	\$(0.06)	\$(0.46)
Weighted average shares used in computing loss per common share: (basic and diluted)	69,170,957	19,400,724

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Andalay Solar, Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Equity (Deficit)

	Series C Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock		Series D Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock		Series B Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock		Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Deficit
	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount		
Balance at January 1, 2012	—	\$—	—	\$—	2,273	\$751,223	16,040,581	\$16,041	\$72,683,781	\$(70,000)
Issuance of common stock pursuant to a securities purchase agreement	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,000,000	2,000.00	498,000	—
Issuance of common stock for supply agreement	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,110,647	2,111	1,140,690	—
Issuance of Series C Convertible preferred stock for cash	1,100	1,100,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Preferred deemed dividend	—	362,903	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(362,903)
Conversion of convertible redeemable preferred stock to common stock	(300)	(434,156)	—	—	(30)	(10,052)	4,011,000	4,011	440,197	—
Conversion of common stock warrant liability upon exercise of warrants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	734,007	—
Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock dividends paid in common	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,465,304	1,465	172,876	(1,465,304)

Edgar Filing: Andalay Solar, Inc. - Form 424B3

stock

Exercise of warrants for common shares, \$0.001 par value	—	—	—	—	—	—	472,222	472	282,861	—
Placement agent and registration fees and other direct costs	—	(45,000)	—	—	—	—	—	—	(183,180)	—
Grants of restricted stock, net of forfeitures and repurchases for employee taxes	—	—	—	—	—	—	824,889	825	(18,366)	—
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	704,188	—
Net loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(8,000)
Balance at December 31, 2012	800	983,747	—	—	2,243	741,171	26,924,643	26,925	76,455,054	(7,000)
Issuance of Series C convertible redeemable preferred stock for cash	75	75,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Issuance of Series D convertible redeemable preferred stock for cash, net	—	—	950	475,000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return of Series D convertible redeemable preferred stock	—	—	(200)	(80,123)	—	—	—	—	—	80,000
Issuance of Series D convertible redeemable preferred stock for payment of financial	—	—	230	230,000	—	—	—	—	—	—

Edgar Filing: Andalay Solar, Inc. - Form 424B3

advisor fees										
Preferred deemed dividend	—	410,227	—	465,077	—	—	—	—	—	(8
Conversion of Series B Convertible Redeemable preferred stock to common stock	—	—	—	—	(1,776)	(594,947)	58,277,813	58,278	536,669	—
Conversion of Series C Convertible Redeemable preferred stock to common stock	(788)	(1,304,976)	—	—	—	—	18,477,766	18,478	1,286,498	—
Conversion of Series D Convertible Redeemable preferred stock to common stock	—	—	(120)	(180,010)	—	—	6,000,000	6,000	174,010	—
Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock dividends paid in common stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	4,310,661	4,313	148,992	(1
Grant of warrant on issuance of convertible note	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	53,623	—
Placement agent and registration fees and other direct costs	—	—	—	(51,379)	—	—	—	—	(40,602)	—
Grants of restricted stock, net of forfeitures and repurchases for employee taxes	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,348,410	2,354	(6,456)	—
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	110,200	—

Edgar Filing: Andalay Solar, Inc. - Form 424B3

Net loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(2,)
Balance at December 31, 2013	87	\$163,998	860	\$858,565	467	\$146,224	116,339,293	\$116,339	\$78,717,997	\$(8,

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Andalay Solar, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2013	2012
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net loss	\$(2,830,047)	\$(8,622,393)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operations:		
Depreciation	33,023	149,840
Amortization of patents	113,071	67,919
Bad debt expense	92,224	485,072
Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives	(65,962)	—
Accretion of interest on convertible notes	21,889	—
Inventory impairment	—	383,081
Unrealized loss (gain) on fair value adjustment of common stock warrants	(9)	416,526
Non-cash stock-based compensation expense	110,200	704,188
Gain on sale of property and equipment	—	(3,060)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(293,902)	645,842
Other receivables	100,612	(52,700)
Inventory	209,077	2,891,816
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	246,669	558,601
Assets of discontinued operations – short term	10,895	76,560
Assets held for sale	—	18,293
Other assets	(9,189)	(624,654)
Accrued interest	7,707	—
Assets of discontinued operations – long-term	—	9,913
Accounts payable	1,159,974	509,498
Accrued liabilities and accrued warranty	(383,916)	172,011
Liabilities of discontinued operations	(84,891)	(266,201)
Net cash used in operating activities	(1,562,575)	(2,479,848)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment	—	3,060
Net cash provided by investing activities	—	3,060
Cash flows from financing activities		
Borrowing on long-term debt	650,000	—
Repayment of notes payable	(14,232)	(283,252)
Borrowing (repayment) on line of credit, net	500,000	(92,266)
Repayments on capital lease obligations	(4,414)	(4,698)
Proceeds from stock offering	—	1,100,000
Proceeds from securities purchase agreement	550,000	500,000
Proceeds from exercise of warrants	—	283,333
Payment of placement agent and registration fees and other direct costs	(91,981)	(228,180)
Employee taxes paid for vesting of restricted stock	(4,102)	(17,541)
Net cash provided by financing activities	1,585,271	1,257,396
Net increase (decrease) in cash	22,696	(1,219,392)
Cash		
Beginning of year	127,385	1,346,777

End of year	\$150,081	\$127,385
-------------	-----------	-----------

F - 5

Supplemental cash flows disclosures:

Cash paid during the period for interest	\$6,759	\$26,468
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash financing activity:		
Embedded derivatives on convertible note issuances	\$243,889	\$—
Grant of warrant on issuance of convertible note	\$53,623	\$—
Preferred deemed dividend	\$875,304	\$362,903
Conversion of preferred stock to common stock	\$2,079,933	\$310,052
Conversion of common stock warrant liability upon exercise of warrants	\$—	\$252,765
Reclassification of common stock warrant liability to additional paid-in capital	\$—	\$481,242
Preferred stock dividends paid in common stock	\$153,305	\$174,342
Return of Series D convertible preferred stock	\$80,123	\$—
Stock issued to procure inventory	\$—	\$1,142,801
Note payable obtained to finance prepaid insurance	\$144,071	\$—
Preferred stock issued for payment of financial advisor fees	\$230,000	\$—
Note payable for payment of financial advisor fees	\$60,000	\$—

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Andalay Solar, Inc.
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements
December 31, 2013 and 2012

1. Description of Business

We are a designer and manufacturer of solar power systems and solar panels with integrated microinverters (which we call AC solar panels). We design, market and sell these solar power systems to solar installers and do-it-yourself customers in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and South America through distribution partnerships, our dealer network and retail outlets. Our products are designed for use in solar power systems for residential and commercial rooftop customers. Prior to September 2010, we were also in the solar power installation business.

We were incorporated in February 2001 as Akeena Solar, Inc. in the State of California and elected at that time to be taxed as an S corporation. During June 2006, we reincorporated in the State of Delaware and became a C corporation. On August 11, 2006, we entered into a reverse merger transaction with Fairview Energy Corporation, Inc. (“Fairview”). Pursuant to the Merger, the stockholders of the Company received one share of Fairview common stock for each issued and outstanding share of The Company’s common stock. The Company’s common shares were also adjusted from \$0.01 par value to \$0.001 par value at the time of the Merger. On May 17, 2010, we entered into an exclusive worldwide license agreement with Westinghouse, Inc, which permitted us to manufacture, distribute and market solar panels under the Westinghouse name and in connection therewith, on April 6, 2011, we changed our name to Westinghouse Solar, Inc. On August 23, 2013, the license agreement with Westinghouse, Inc. was terminated and on September 19, 2013, we changed our name to our current name, Andalay Solar, Inc.

In September 2007, we introduced our “plug and play” solar panel technology (under the brand name “Andalay”), which we believe significantly reduces the installation time and costs, and provides superior reliability and aesthetics, when compared to other solar panel mounting products and technology. Our panel technology offers the following features: (i) mounts closer to the roof with less space in between panels; (ii) no unsightly racks underneath or beside panels; (iii) built-in wiring connections; (iv) approximately 70% fewer roof-assembled parts and approximately 50% less roof-top labor required; (v) approximately 25% fewer roof attachment points; (vi) complete compliance with the National Electric Code and UL wiring and grounding requirements. We have five U.S. patents (Patent No. 7,406,800, Patent No. 7,832,157, Patent No. 7,866,098, Patent No. 7,987,614 and Patent No. 8,505,248) that cover key aspects of our Andalay solar panel technology, as well as U.S. Trademark No. 3481373 for registration of the mark “Andalay.” In addition to these U.S. patents, we have 7 foreign patents. Currently, we have 12 issued patents and 15 other pending U.S. and foreign patent applications that cover the Andalay technology working their way through the USPTO and foreign patent offices.

In February 2009, we announced a strategic relationship with Enphase, a leading manufacturer of microinverters, to develop and market solar panel systems with ordinary AC house current output instead of high voltage DC output. We introduced Andalay AC panel products and began offering them to our customers in the second quarter of 2009. Andalay AC panels cost less to install, are safer, and generally provide higher energy output than ordinary DC panels. Andalay AC panels deliver 5-25% more energy compared to ordinary panels, produce safe household AC power, and have built-in panel level monitoring, racking, wiring, grounding and microinverters. With 80% fewer parts and 5 – 25% better performance than ordinary DC panels, we believe Andalay AC panels are an ideal solution for solar installers and do-it-yourself customers.

On May 7, 2012, we announced the execution of an agreement and plan of merger with CBD Energy Limited, an Australian corporation (CBD), which contemplated a merger in which CBD would become our parent company. The targeted completion of the merger was repeatedly delayed and on July 18, 2013 we terminated the merger. During such merger delays, our supply relationships have been disrupted, leading to a significant decline in our revenue and the implementation of significant cost reductions, including the lay-off of employees during the time we pursued the

merger. We are now committed to focus our attention on rebuilding our core business, expanding our current product offering and exploring strategic opportunities.

Our Corporate headquarters is located at 2071 Ringwood Ave. Unit C, San Jose, CA 95131. Our telephone number is (408) 402-9400. Additional information about Andalay Solar is available on our website at <http://www.Andalaysolar.com>. The information on our web site is not incorporated herein by reference.

Discontinued Operations

See Note 3 for a detailed discussion of our Discontinued Operations.

Concentration of Risk in Customer and Supplier Relationships

See Note 18 for a detailed discussion of our concentration of risk in customer and supplier relationships.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Liquidity and Financial Position

We currently face challenges meeting the working capital needs of our business. Our primary requirements for working capital are to fund purchases for solar panels and microinverters, and to cover our payroll and lease expenses. We have incurred net losses and negative cash flows from operations for each of the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012. During recent years, we have undertaken several equity and debt financing transactions to provide the capital needed to sustain our business. We have dramatically reduced our headcount and other variable expenses. As of December 31, 2013, we had approximately \$150,000 in cash on hand. We intend to address ongoing working capital needs through sales of remaining inventory, along with raising additional debt and equity financing. In January 2013, our board of directors approved actions to dramatically reduce our variable operating costs, including a 12 person employee headcount reduction effective January 15, 2013, for the period through the anticipated merger closing with CBD, which merger was terminated in July 2013. No restructuring charges or severance payments were incurred. Our revenue levels remain difficult to predict, and we anticipate that we will continue to sustain losses in the near term, and we cannot assure investors that we will be successful in reaching break-even.

During 2012, because of our cash position and liquidity constraints, we were late in making payments to both of our former panel suppliers, Suntech and Lightway. We currently have no unshipped orders from these suppliers. In May 2013, we entered into a new supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd ("EEG"), an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013. In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Tianwei New Energy Co, Ltd., a panel supplier located in China. We began receiving product from Tianwei in February 2014. Although we believe we can find alternative suppliers for solar panels manufactured to our specifications, our operations would be disrupted unless we are able to rapidly secure alternative sources of supply, our inventory and revenue could diminish significantly, causing disruption to our operations.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming we will continue as a going concern. Our significant operating losses, negative cash flow from operations, and challenges in rapidly securing alternative sources of supply for solar panels, raise substantial uncertainty about our ability to continue as a going concern. The accompanying financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty, and contemplate the realization of assets and the settlement of liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business. There can be no assurance that we will be able to raise additional funds on commercially reasonable terms, if at all. The current economic downturn adds uncertainty to our anticipated revenue levels and to the timing of cash receipts, which are needed to support our operations. It also worsens the market conditions for seeking equity and debt financing. As a result of our delisting from the Nasdaq Capital Market in September 2012, we are no longer eligible to file new registration statements on Form S-3, which may make it more costly and more difficult for us to obtain additional equity financing. We currently anticipate that we will retain all of our earnings, if any, for development of our business and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on common stock in the foreseeable future.

Convertible Notes payable

On August 30, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures August 29, 2015 (the "Convertible Note"). Subsequently, on November 25, 2013 and December 19, 2013, we entered into additional securities purchase agreements with the same institutional accredited investors relating the sale and issuance of convertible notes in the principal amount of \$200,000 and \$250,000, respectively, which mature on November 25, 2015 and December 19, 2015. On January 27, 2014, we issued a convertible note in the principal amount of \$100,000 that matures January 27, 2016 under the Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with an accredited investor on December 19, 2013. In connection with the issuance of the December 19, 2013 convertible note, we also issued 6,250,000 warrants to purchase shares of our common stock at a price of \$0.02 per share. On February 25, 2014, we entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement with the same accredited investor related to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures February 25, 2016. In connection with the issuance of the February 25, 2014 convertible note, we issued 5,000,000 warrants to purchase shares of our common stock at a price of \$0.02 per share. Each of the Convertible Notes bear interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, are payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. Subject to our fulfilling certain conditions, including beneficial ownership limits, the convertible notes are subject to a mandatory conversion if the closing price of our common stock for any 20 consecutive days commencing six months after the issue date of the convertible notes equal or exceeds \$0.04. Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible notes can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion.

We have the option of repaying the outstanding principal amount of the convertible notes, in whole or in part, by paying the purchaser a sum of money equal to one hundred and twenty percent (120%) of the principal together with accrued but unpaid interest upon 30 days notice, subject to certain beneficial ownership limits. For so long as we have any obligation under the convertible notes, we have agreed to certain restrictions regarding, among other things, incurrence of additional debt, liens, amendments to charter documents, repurchase of stock, payment of cash dividends, affiliated transactions. We are also prohibited from entering into certain variable priced agreements until the convertible notes are repaid in full.

Because of certain down-round protection in the conversion rate of the convertible notes, we determined that the derivative liability related to the embedded conversion feature met the criteria for bifurcation. Accordingly, we recognized an aggregate liability of \$243,889 on the three issuance dates. The derivative liability is carried at fair value with changes in the fair value reflected in the "Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives" line item of our Consolidated Statements of Operations. We recognized a favorable gain for the year ending December 31, 2013 of \$65,962.

In addition, the relative fair value of the warrants issued in the December 2013 convertible note issuance of \$250,000, were allocated to Additional Paid in Capital. Such value was determined assuming volatility of 149.1, a risk free interest rate of 0.7% and an expected term of 4.1 years. The resulting debt discount from the derivative liability and warrant issuance of \$109,000 is being accreted to interest using the effective interest method.

Line of credit

On September 30, 2013, we entered into a loan and security agreement to provide financing, on a discretionary basis, for one year, against our accounts receivable and inventory. The maximum amount that can be borrowed under the Agreement is \$500,000. We have the right to borrow up to 80% of our eligible accounts receivable, not in excess of \$200,000, 50% of the value of our raw materials in inventory, 65% of our finished goods inventory and 95% of cash, but not in the aggregate amount in excess of \$300,000. The advances are secured by a lien on all of our assets. All advances under the agreement bear interest at a per annum rate of 12% and monthly interest shall be a minimum of \$500. At the time of initial funding we paid a loan fee of 50 shares of our Series D Preferred Shares to the lender, in addition to other payments for legal fees. In addition, we paid the collateral agent an initial fee of \$5,000 and have agreed to pay an administrative fee to the collateral agent of 0.5% per month of the daily balance during the preceding month or \$500 whichever is less. In the event that of a prepayment, we are obligated to pay a prepayment fee in an amount equal to one-half of one percent (0.5%) of \$500,000. On September 30, 2013, we requested and received an initial borrowing under the Agreement totaling \$350,000. Subsequently, on October 21, 2013, we requested and received an additional \$100,000 and on November 25, 2013, we requested and received an additional \$50,000. As of December 31, 2013, the balance outstanding under our line of credit was \$500,000.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

We consider all highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less, when purchased, to be cash equivalents. We maintain cash and cash equivalents, which consist principally of money market demand deposits with high credit quality financial institutions. At certain times, such amounts exceed FDIC insurance limits. We have not experienced any losses on these investments. As of December 31, 2013 and 2012, we had no cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist of trade receivables. We regularly evaluate the collectability of our accounts receivable. An allowance for doubtful accounts is maintained for estimated credit losses. We consider a number of factors when estimating credit losses, including the aging of a customer's account, creditworthiness of specific customers, historical trends and other information.

Inventory

Inventory is stated at the lower of cost (on an average basis) or market value. We determine cost based on the weighted-average purchase price and include both the costs of acquisition and the shipping costs in inventory. We regularly review the cost of inventory against its estimated market value and record a lower of cost or market write-down to cost of goods sold, if any inventory has a cost in excess of estimated market value.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Depreciation and amortization are provided for using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets.

Estimated useful lives are as follows:

Category	Useful Lives
Office Equipment	2-5 years
Vehicles	3-5 years
Leasehold Improvements	2 years

Maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. Expenditures for significant renewals or betterments are capitalized. Upon disposition, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and the resulting gain or loss is reflected in current operations.

Long-Lived Assets

We review long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of a long-lived asset may not be recoverable. We periodically evaluate whether events and circumstances have occurred that may warrant revision of the estimated useful lives of our long-lived assets or whether the remaining balance of long-lived assets should be evaluated for possible impairment. We do not believe that there were any indicators of impairment that would require an adjustment to such assets or their estimated periods of recovery at December 31, 2013 and 2012.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

We do not amortize goodwill, but rather test goodwill for impairment at least annually.

We capitalize external legal costs and filing fees associated with obtaining or defending our patents. Upon issuance of new patents or successful defense of existing patents, we amortize these costs using the straight line method over the shorter of the legal life of the patent or its economic life. We believe the remaining useful life we assign to these patents, approximately 11 years as of December 31, 2013, are reasonable. We periodically review our patents to determine whether any such cost have been impaired and are no longer being used. To the extent we are no longer using certain patents, the associated costs will be written off at that time.

Costs associated with patents currently held are approximately \$1.4 million, net of approximately \$201,000 of accumulated amortization, are included in other assets, net as of December 31, 2013, and are being amortized over the estimated useful life, which was determined to be seventeen years. Amortization expense of patents was approximately \$113,000 and \$68,000 in each of the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Estimated amortization expense of patents for the five years subsequent to December 31, 2013, is approximately \$114,000 per year. Capitalized filing fees associated with obtaining new patents not yet issued and defense of existing patents (not yet resolved) of approximately \$145,000 are included in other assets as December 31, 2013.

Discontinued Operations

Discontinued operations are presented and accounted for in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 360, "Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," (ASC 360). When a qualifying component of the Company is disposed of or has been classified as held for sale, the operating results of that component are removed from continuing operations for all periods presented and displayed as discontinued operations if: (a) elimination of the component's operations and cash flows from the Company's ongoing operations has occurred (or will occur) and (b) significant continuing involvement by the Company in the component's operations does not exist after the disposal transaction.

On September 10, 2010, we announced that we were exiting the solar panel installation business. The exit from the installation business was essentially completed at the end of the fourth quarter of 2010. The exit from the installation business was therefore classified as discontinued operations for all periods presented under the requirements of ASC 360.

Manufacturer and Installation Warranties

The manufacturer directly warrants the solar panels and inverters for a range from 15 to 25 years. We warrant the balance of system components of our products against defects in material and workmanship for five years. We assist our customers in the event of a claim under the manufacturer warranty to replace a defective solar panel or inverter. The warranty liability for the material and the workmanship of the balance of system components of approximately \$345,000 at December 31, 2013 and \$330,000 at December 31, 2012, is included within "Accrued warranty" in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

The liability for our manufacturing warranty consists of the following:

	Twelve Months Ended	
	2013	2012
Beginning accrued warranty balance	\$329,680	\$217,812
Reduction for labor payments and claims made under the warranty	(4,400)	(1,723)
Accruals related to warranties issued during the period	19,710	113,591
Ending accrued warranty balance	\$344,990	\$329,680

We previously recorded a provision for warranty liability related to our discontinued installation operations. We provided for a 5-year or a 10-year warranty on the installation of a system and all equipment and incidental supplies other than solar panels and inverters that are covered under the manufacturer warranty. The liability for the installation warranty at December 31, 2013 and 2012 was approximately \$968,000 and \$1.1 million, respectively, and is included within "Liabilities of Discontinued Operations" in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Defective solar panels or inverters are covered under the manufacturer warranty. In the event that a panel or inverter needs to be replaced, we will replace the defective item within the manufacturer's warranty period (between 5-25 years).

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The carrying values reported for cash equivalents, accounts receivable, assets associated with discontinued operations, accounts payable, accrued liabilities and the outstanding credit facility approximated their respective fair values at each balance sheet date due to the short-term maturity of these financial instruments.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue from sales of products is recognized when: (1) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, (2) delivery has occurred or services have been rendered, (3) the sale price is fixed or determinable, and (4) collection of the related

receivable is reasonably assured. We recognize revenue when the solar power systems are shipped to the customer.

Stock-based Compensation

We apply the fair value method under Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 718 in accounting for our 2001 Stock Option Plan and our 2006 Stock Incentive Plan. Under ASC 718, compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the equity instruments awarded and is recognized over the period during which an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award, or the requisite service period, which is usually the vesting period. The fair value of the equity award granted is estimated on the date of the grant.

Advertising

We expense advertising costs as incurred. Advertising expense, included in "Sales and marketing expenses," for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, was approximately \$16,000 and \$144,000, respectively.

Research and Development Costs

Research and development expenses, which include the cost of activities that are useful in developing new products, processes or techniques, as well as expenses for activities that may significantly improve existing products or processes are expensed as incurred. In the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, we expensed approximately \$243,000 and \$649,000, respectively, in general and administrative costs.

Shipping and Handling Costs

Shipping and handling costs associated with inbound freight are included in cost of inventory and expensed as cost of goods sold when the related inventory is sold.

Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes arise from timing differences resulting from income and expense items reported for financial accounting and tax purposes in different periods. A deferred tax asset valuation allowance is recorded when it is more likely than not that deferred tax assets will not be realized. Utilization of net operating loss carryforwards may be subject to a substantial annual limitation due to ownership change limitations provided by the Internal Revenue Code. The annual limitation may result in the expiration of net operating loss carryforwards before utilization. We apply the provisions of ASC 740, formerly FASB Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes" (FIN 48). We recognize the financial statement benefit of a tax position only after determining that the relevant tax authority would more likely than not sustain the position following an audit. For tax positions meeting this standard, the amount recognized in the financial statements is the largest benefit that has a greater than 50 percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with the relevant tax authority.

Earnings Per Share

As of January 1, 2009, we adopted Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 260 (formerly Financial Accounting Standards Board Staff Position (FSP) Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) 03-6-1) (ASC 260), "Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions Are Participating Securities" (the "Staff Position"), which states that unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents are considered participating securities and shall be included in the computation of net income (loss) per share pursuant to the two-class method described in ASC 260 (formerly Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 128), Earnings Per Share. The effect of the adoption of the Staff Position was not material to our net loss per share.

In accordance with the Staff Position, basic net income (loss) per share is computed by dividing net income (loss), excluding net income (loss) attributable to participating securities, by the weighted average number of shares outstanding less the weighted average unvested restricted shares outstanding. Diluted net income (loss) per share is computed by dividing net income (loss), excluding net income (loss) attributable to participating securities, by the denominator for basic net income (loss) per share and any dilutive effects of stock options, restricted stock, convertible notes and warrants.

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted net loss per share:

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2013	2012
Basic:		
Numerator:		
Net loss	\$(2,830,047)	\$(8,622,393)
Less: Net loss allocated to participating securities	12,503	170,052
Net loss attributable to stockholders	(2,817,544)	(8,452,341)
Preferred stock dividend	(153,305)	(174,342)
Preferred deemed dividend	(875,304)	(362,903)
	\$(3,846,153)	\$(8,989,586)
Denominator:		
Weighted-average shares outstanding	69,477,915	19,791,045
Weighted-average unvested restricted shares outstanding	(306,958)	(390,321)
Denominator for basic net loss per share	69,170,957	19,400,724
Basic net loss per share attributable to common stockholders	\$(0.06)	\$(0.46)
Diluted:		
Numerator:		
Net loss	\$(2,830,047)	\$(8,622,393)
Less: Net loss allocated to participating securities	12,503	170,052
Net loss attributable to stockholders	(2,817,544)	(8,452,341)
Preferred stock dividend	(153,305)	(174,342)
Preferred deemed dividend	(875,304)	(362,903)
	\$(3,846,153)	\$(8,989,586)
Denominator:		
Denominator for basic calculation	69,170,957	19,400,724
Weighted-average effect of dilutive stock options	—	—
Denominator for diluted net loss per share	69,170,957	19,400,724

Diluted net loss per share attributable to common stockholders	\$(0.06)	\$(0.46)
--	---------	---	---------	---

The following table sets forth potential shares of common stock at the end of each period presented that are not included in the calculation of diluted net loss per share because to do so would be anti-dilutive:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Stock options outstanding	5,368,233	679,744
Unvested restricted stock	1,890,952	48,073
Warrants to purchase common stock	9,648,045	3,398,045
Preferred stock convertible into common stock	68,353,582	35,230,263

F - 11

Segment Reporting

Operating segments are components of an enterprise for which separate financial information is available and is evaluated regularly by management in deciding how to allocate resources and in assessing performance. We are engaged in a single business segment wherein we design, manufacture and sell our solar panels to solar installers, trade workers and do-it-yourself customers through distribution partnerships, our dealer network and retail outlets. All tangible assets are located in the United States.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Andalay Solar and Fairview, pursuant to the Merger as described in Note 1. We also have two wholly-owned subsidiaries as of December 31, 2013 and 2012. Akeena Corp. is a wholly-owned subsidiaries of Andalay Solar, Inc. All inter-company accounts have been eliminated in consolidation.

3. Discontinued Operations

On September 10, 2010, we announced that we were exiting the solar panel installation business and we were expanding our distribution business to include sales of our Andalay Solar Power Systems directly to dealers in California. The exit from the installation business was essentially completed by the end of 2010. As a result of the decision to exit the California installation business we recorded a restructuring charge totaling approximately \$3.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2010, the majority of which were non-cash charges. This restructuring charge was comprised primarily of (i) one-time severance costs of \$765,000 related to headcount reductions paid primarily in shares of our common stock, (ii) inventory write downs of \$948,000, (iii) lease accelerations and the write off of leasehold improvements of \$307,000, (iv) goodwill impairment of \$299,000, (v) vehicle, furniture and fixtures and computer equipment write downs of \$290,000 and (vi) other prepaid costs write-downs of \$367,000. During the year ended December 31, 2010, we recorded a loss from discontinued operations of \$6.5 million. During the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, we recorded an \$11,000 gain and a \$16,000 gain, respectively, from the discontinued installation business.

The assets and liabilities of discontinued operations are presented separately under the captions “Assets of discontinued operations,” “Liabilities of discontinued operations” and “Long-term liabilities of discontinued operations,” respectively, in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets at December 31, 2013 and 2012, and consist of the following:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Assets of discontinued operations:		
Accounts receivable and other receivables	\$—	\$1,340
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	—	—
Other assets	—	9,556
Total current assets of discontinued operations	—	10,896
Security deposits on operating leases	—	—
Security deposit – escrow account for installation jobs	200,000	200,000

Total assets of discontinued operations	\$200,000	\$210,896
	December	December
	31,	31, 2012
	2013	
Liabilities of discontinued operations:		
Accrued liabilities	\$—	\$8,656
Accrued warranty	967,928	1,042,663
Deferred revenue	—	1,500
Total current liabilities	967,928	1,052,819
Other long-term liabilities	—	—
Total discontinued operations liabilities	\$967,928	\$1,052,819

We entered into a Supply and Warranty Agreement and Master Assignment Agreement with Real Goods Solar, Inc. (Real Goods), pursuant to which Real Goods has agreed to perform certain warranty work. The terms of the agreement provide that an escrow account be established as a source of funds from which to satisfy our obligation to pay Real Goods for its fees and reimburse it for its expenses for this warranty work. In March 2011, we entered into an Escrow Agreement with Real Goods and deposited \$200,000 into an escrow account. The amount is reflected in long-term assets of discontinued operations in the balance sheet. The escrow deposit will be released to us in the amount of \$40,000, or one-fifth of the remaining escrow funds, per year after each of the fifth through the ninth anniversary of the escrow agreement.

4. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists of the following:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Trade accounts	\$575,375	\$490,401
Less: Allowance for bad debts	(2,899)	(108,750)
Less: Allowance for returns	(4,953)	(15,806)
	\$567,523	\$365,845

The following table summarizes the allowance for doubtful accounts as of December 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Balance at Beginning of Period	Provisions, net	Write-Off/ Recovery	Balance at End of Period
Year ended December 31, 2013	\$ 108,750	\$ 92,224	\$ (198,325)	\$ 2,899
Year ended December 31, 2012	\$ 39,000	\$ 485,072	\$ (415,322)	\$ 108,750

5. Inventory

Inventory consists of the following:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Finished goods	\$654,970	\$755,643
Work in process	131,666	240,070
	\$786,636	\$995,713

Inventory is stated at the lower of cost (on an average basis) or market value. We determine cost based on our weighted-average purchase price and include both the costs of acquisition and the shipping costs in our inventory. We regularly review the cost of inventory against its estimated market value and record a lower of cost or market write-down to cost of goods sold, if any inventory has a cost in excess of estimated market value. During the year ended December 31, 2012, we recorded a \$206,000 non-cash inventory write-down, a \$65,000 write-off of accumulated inventory overhead costs and a \$112,000 non-cash inventory write-off. The \$206,000 write-down was an adjustment to the carrying value of our older, smaller-format solar panels and older microinverter inventory to reflect the decline in market prices compared to our original cost and the \$112,000 was an inventory write-off of obsolete inventory.

6. Prepaid expenses and other current assets

Prepaid expenses and other current assets consist of the following:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Prepaid insurance	\$152,812	\$8,046
Prepaid - other	68,906	160,385

Vendor deposits	95,792	251,677
	\$317,510	\$420,108

F - 13

7. Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment, net consist of the following:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Office equipment	\$436,051	\$522,745
Leasehold improvements	123,278	148,759
Vehicles	17,992	17,992
	577,321	689,496
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(563,467)	(642,619)
	\$13,854	\$46,877

Depreciation expense for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was approximately \$33,000 and \$150,000, respectively. Beginning in the fourth quarter 2010, concurrent with our change in business model to a pure a manufacturing and distribution business, a portion of depreciation expense related to leasehold improvements and equipment in our warehouse is allocated to cost of goods sold. All other depreciation is included in general and administrative expense.

8. Accrued Liabilities

Accrued liabilities consist of the following:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Accrued salaries, wages, benefits and bonus	\$45,456	\$65,581
Sales tax payable	4,409	877
Accrued accounting and legal fees	—	5,160
Customer deposit payable	580	36,540
Accrued interest	6,288	76,438
Royalty payable	—	262,500
Other accrued liabilities	32,997	41,860
	\$89,730	\$488,956

9. Convertible Notes Payable and Credit Facility

Convertible Notes payable

On August 30, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures August 29, 2015 (the "Convertible Note"). Subsequently, on November 25, 2013 and December 19, 2013, we entered into additional securities purchase agreements with the same institutional accredited investors relating the sale and issuance of convertible notes in the principal amount of \$200,000 and \$250,000, respectively, which mature on November 25, 2015 and December 19, 2015. On January 27, 2014, we issued a convertible note in the principal amount of \$100,000 that matures January 27, 2016 under the Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with an accredited investor on December 19, 2013. In connection with the issuance of the December 19, 2013 convertible note, we also issued 6,250,000 warrants to purchase shares of our common stock at a price of \$0.02 per share. Each of the Convertible Notes bear interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, are payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. Subject to our fulfilling certain conditions, including beneficial ownership limits, the convertible notes are subject to a mandatory conversion if the closing price of our common stock for any 20 consecutive days commencing six months after the issue date of the convertible notes equal or exceeds \$0.04. Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible notes can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion.

We have the option of repaying the outstanding principal amount of the convertible notes, in whole or in part, by paying the purchaser a sum of money equal to one hundred and twenty percent (120%) of the principal together with accrued but unpaid interest upon 30 days notice, subject to certain beneficial ownership limits. For so long as we have any obligation under the convertible notes, we have agreed to certain restrictions regarding, among other things, incurrence of additional debt, liens, amendments to charter documents, repurchase of stock, payment of cash dividends, affiliated transactions. We are also prohibited from entering into certain variable priced agreements until the convertible notes are repaid in full.

Because of certain down-round protection in the conversion rate of the convertible notes, we determined that derivative liability related to the embedded conversion feature met the criteria for bifurcation. Accordingly, we recognized an aggregate liability of \$243,889 on the three issuance dates. The derivative liability is carried at fair value with changes in the fair value reflected in the "Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives" line item of our Consolidated Statements of Operations. We recognized a favorable gain for the year ended December 31, 2013 of \$65,962.

In addition, the relative fair value of the warrants issued in the December 2013 convertible note issuance of \$250,000, were allocated to Additional Paid in Capital. Such value was determined assuming volatility of 149.1, a risk free interest rate of 0.7% and an expected term of 4.1 years. The resulting debt discount from the derivative liability and warrant issuance of \$109,000 is being accreted to interest using the effective interest method.

On November 1, 2013 and December 1, 2013, we issued two convertible notes to our financial advisory firm in the principal amount of \$30,000 each for a total of \$60,000, which mature on October 31, 2014 and November 30, 2014, respectively. Each of the Convertible Notes bear interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, are payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02.

Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible notes can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion.

Below is a table showing the convertible notes payable, the beneficial conversion feature and fair value of the warrants as of December 31, 2013:

	December 31, 2013
Convertible notes payable cash proceeds	\$650,000
Convertible notes payable issued for financial advisory services	60,000
Less: Derivative liability	(243,889)
Less: Relative fair value of warrants	(53,623)
Accreted interest	21,889
Accrued interest	7,707
Convertible notes payable, net	442,084
Less current portion	(60,000)
	\$382,084

Line of credit

On September 30, 2013, we entered into a loan and security agreement with Alpha Capital Anstalt and Collateral Services, LLC to provide financing, on a discretionary basis, for one year, against our accounts receivable and inventory. The maximum amount that can be borrowed under the Agreement is \$500,000. We have the right to borrow up to 80% of our eligible accounts receivable, not in excess of \$200,000, 50% of the value of our raw materials in inventory, 65% of our finished goods inventory and 95% of cash, but not in the aggregate amount in excess of \$300,000. The advances are secured by a lien on all of our assets. All advances under the agreement bear interest at a per annum rate of 12% and monthly interest shall be a minimum of \$500. At the time of initial funding we paid a loan fee of 50 shares of our Series D Preferred Shares to the lender, in addition to other payments for legal fees. In addition, we paid the collateral agent an initial fee of \$5,000 and have agreed to pay an administrative fee to the collateral agent of 0.5% per month of the daily balance during the preceding month or \$500 whichever is less. In the event that of a prepayment, we are obligated to pay a prepayment fee in an amount equal to one-half of one percent (0.5%) of \$500,000. On September 30, 2013, we requested and received an initial borrowing under the Agreement totaling \$350,000. Subsequently, on October 21, 2013, we requested and received an additional \$100,000 and on November 20, 2013, we requested and received an additional \$50,000. As of December 31, 2013, the balance outstanding under our line of credit was \$500,000.

On February 15, 2011, we entered into a Business Financing Agreement (the "2011 Credit Facility") with Bridge Bank, National Association ("Bridge Bank") to finance our accounts receivables. The 2011 Credit Facility provided for a credit limit of \$750,000, representing the maximum amount of advances based on up to 50% of \$1.5 million of gross eligible accounts receivables. The 2011 Credit Facility was terminated on August 16, 2013.

10. Long-term Debt and Capital Lease Obligations

Long-term debt

Our long-term debt consists of three convertible notes. See Note 9 for a discussion of these notes. The scheduled principal maturities of long-term debt at December 31, 2013 are as follows:

2014	\$—
2015	650,000
2016	—
2017	—
2018	—
2019	—
	650,000
Less: current portion	—
	\$650,000

Capital lease obligations

Our capital lease obligation consists of a lease on equipment. Our scheduled principal maturities relating to this capital lease obligation at December 31, 2013 is approximately \$299 in 2014.

11. Stockholders' Deficit

We were incorporated in 2001 and elected at that time to be taxed as an S corporation. During June 2006, we reincorporated in the State of Delaware and became a C corporation. On August 11, 2006, we entered into a reverse merger transaction with Fairview as discussed in Note 1. Pursuant to the Merger, the stockholders of Andalay Solar received one share of Fairview common stock for each issued and outstanding share of Andalay Solar common stock. Andalay Solar's common shares were also adjusted from \$0.01 par value to \$0.001 par value at the time of the Merger. Since the stockholders of Andalay Solar owned a majority of the outstanding shares of Fairview common stock immediately following the Merger, and the management and board of Andalay Solar became the management and board of Fairview immediately following the Merger, the Merger is being accounted for as a reverse merger transaction and Andalay Solar was deemed to be the acquirer. The assets, liabilities and the historical operations prior to the Merger are those of Andalay Solar. Subsequent to the Merger, the consolidated financial statements include the assets, and the historical operations of Andalay Solar and Fairview from the closing date of the Merger.

We have 501,000,000 shares of capital stock authorized under our certificate of incorporation, consisting of 500,000,000 shares of common stock and 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock. As of December 31, 2013, we have authorized (i) 2,000 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, all of which have been converted or cancelled and none of which remain outstanding, (ii) 4,000 shares of Series B 4% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, of which 467 shares remain outstanding, (iii) 1,750 shares of our Series C 8% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, of which 87 shares remain outstanding, and (iv) 1,180 shares of our Series D 8% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, of which 860 shares remain outstanding.

On March 30, 2012, we entered into an amendment to the outstanding Series K warrants which removed the provision for any future price adjustment to the exercise price. See "Stock Warrants and Warrant Liability" for a discussion on the accounting treatment of these warrants.

Pursuant to the Lightway Supply Agreement, on March 30, 2012, we issued 1,900,000 shares of our common stock to Lightway. The shares were issued at \$0.55 per share based on the latest closing sale price on the date of issuance. The

issuance of the common stock, valued at \$1,045,000, increased equity and reduced accounts payable by an equal amount.

On August 14, 2012, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with an institutional accredited investor relating to the sale of 2,000,000 shares of our common stock at a price of \$0.25 per share. The aggregate purchase price was \$500,000.

See Note 14 for a discussion of the accounting treatment of the stock warrant transactions discussed above.

12. Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock and Preferred Deemed Dividend

On February 17, 2011, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale of 4,000 units at a price of \$900 per unit (the "Securities Purchase Agreement"). The aggregate purchase price for the Securities was \$3,600,000, less \$532,000 in issuance costs.

The Certificate of Designation to create the Series B Preferred includes certain negative covenants regarding indebtedness and other matters, and includes provisions under which the holders of the Series B Preferred are entitled to demand redemption for cash upon specified triggering events. The Series B Preferred bears dividends at the rate 4% per year for the first year, and 8% per year thereafter, payable in stock or in cash at our election, subject to certain restrictions.

On October 18, 2012, we filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware a Certificate of Designation creating and specifying the rights of our Series C Preferred Stock. The number of shares designated Series C Preferred Stock is 1,750 (which shall not be subject to increase without the written consent of the holders of a majority of such series of preferred stock). Each share of Series C Preferred has a par value of \$0.001 per share and a stated value equal to \$1,000, subject to increase under certain circumstances. Each share of Series C Preferred is convertible, at any time at the option of the holder thereof, into shares of our common stock determined by dividing the stated value per share of our Series C Preferred by the closing price per share of our common stock as reported on the OTCQB Marketplace (OTCQB) on October 18, 2012, which was \$0.155. The conversion price is subject to further adjustments as set forth in the Series C Certificate of Designation.

The holders of our Series C Preferred are entitled to receive, and we are obligated to pay, cumulative dividends at the rate per share (as a percentage of the stated value per share) of 8% per annum, payable quarterly on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31. Dividends are payable in cash or in shares of newly issued common stock, depending on whether we have cash available for lawful payment of dividends and whether we satisfy certain conditions for the alternative to pay the dividends in shares.

Our Series C Preferred generally is non-voting, provided that our holders of Series C Preferred have rights of approval with regard to amendments to our Certificate of Incorporation or to the Certificate of Designation that would adversely affect the rights of our Series C Preferred. Our Series C Preferred provides for a number of negative covenants applicable to us, including restrictions on the amount of our indebtedness (generally, to an amount not to exceed \$5 million) and related liens, and restrictions on our use of cash to redeem or to pay dividends with respect to our common stock or other junior securities. In various “triggering event” circumstances set forth in the Series C Certificate of Designation, the holders of our Series C Preferred have rights to demand the redemption of their shares, for cash or for shares of our common stock, depending on the nature of the triggering event.

On October 18, 2012, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of up to 1,245 shares of our newly created Series C Preferred Stock, for aggregate proceeds of up to \$1,245,000. At the initial closing, we sold and issued 750 shares of Series C Preferred, for initial aggregate proceeds of \$750,000. On November 2, 2012, we provided to the purchasers of our Series C Preferred Stock a draw down notice under the Purchase Agreement. As a result of the draw down, we sold an aggregate of 350 additional shares of our Series C Preferred to the purchasers for aggregate proceeds of \$350,000. Based on the closing price of our common stock as reported on the OTCQB Marketplace (OTCQB) on November 2, 2012 (which was \$0.08 per share), the 350 shares of Series C Preferred issued pursuant to the draw down was convertible into 4,375,000 shares of our common stock. As a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.155 to \$0.08 per share on the total 750 shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at November 2, 2012, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized a preferred deemed dividend of \$362,903.

Effective October 18, 2012, we amended our Series B Certificate of Designation to reduce the “Floor Price” limitation related to the conversion rights of the Series B Preferred Stock from \$0.10 to \$0.01 per share.

On January 24, 2013, we provided to the purchasers of our Series C Preferred Stock a draw down notice under the purchase agreement. The purchasers agreed to accept the new draw down notice and thereby extend our right to exercise a “put” to sell additional Series C Preferred beyond the securities purchase agreement’s prior expiration date of December 31, 2012. As a result of the draw down, we sold an aggregate of 75 additional shares of Series C Preferred to the purchasers for aggregate proceeds of \$75,000. Based on the closing price of our common stock as reported on the OTCQB Marketplace on January 24, 2013 (which was \$0.05 per share), the 75 shares of Series C Preferred to be issued pursuant to the draw down would be convertible into 1,500,000 shares of our common stock. As a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.08 to \$0.05 per share on the total 720 shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at January 24, 2013, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized additional preferred deemed dividends of \$270,000.

As a result of the January 24, 2013 draw down notice, pursuant to the terms of the outstanding Series B Preferred Stock, the conversion price of the Series B Preferred was reduced from \$0.08 per share of common stock to become equal to \$0.05, and the conversion price of the Series C Preferred issued under the initial closing was reduced from \$0.08 per share of common stock to become equal to \$0.05. As a result of the May 13, 2013 draw down notice, the price of the Series B Preferred was further reduced from \$0.05 per share of common stock to become equal to \$0.03, and the conversion price of the Series C Preferred was also further reduced from \$0.05 per share of common stock to \$0.03. As of December 31 2013, there were 467 shares of Series B Preferred that remain outstanding. With the May 13, 2013 draw down, and after recent conversions of our Series C Preferred, there are 87 shares of Series C Preferred that remain outstanding. As a result of our August 30, 2013 financing, the conversion prices of the Series B and Series C Preferred were further reduced from \$0.03 per share of common stock to \$0.02. After adjustment to the conversion prices as a result of the August 30, 2013 financing and for subsequent conversions of our preferred stock to common stock, the outstanding Series B Preferred and Series C Preferred would be convertible into 21,020,232 shares and

4,333,350 shares, respectively, of our common stock.

On February 15, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with an institutional accredited investor relating to the sale and issuance of up to 1,180 shares of our newly created Series D Preferred Stock at a price per share equal to the stated value, which is \$1,000 per share, for aggregate proceeds of up to \$1,000,000. At the initial closing, concurrent with entering the agreement, we issued 150 shares of Series D Preferred, for initial aggregate proceeds of \$150,000. After the initial closing, the securities purchase agreement permits the purchaser to exercise a “call” right to purchase additional Series D Preferred in multiple draw downs from time to time until December 31, 2013, subject to certain limits, terms and conditions. In March 2013, the Company and investors entered into a letter agreement to the securities purchase agreement dated as of February 15, 2013, modifying the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be issued upon settlement of any purchaser draw downs made on or after March 18, 2013, equal to the purchaser investment amount divided by the stated value multiplied by a number agreed upon by the Company and the purchaser, which shall not be higher than 1.67. Subsequently, on March 21, 2013, we issued 167 shares of Series D Preferred for aggregate proceeds of \$100,000. On May 13, 2013, the Company and investors entered into a letter agreement amendment to the securities purchase agreement dated as of February 15, 2013, modifying the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock that may be issued upon draw downs made on or after May 13, 2013, equal to the purchaser investment amount divided by the stated value multiplied by a number agreed upon by the Company and the purchaser, which shall not be higher than 3.34. The corresponding conversion price into underlying shares of our common stock was \$0.03 per share. On May 13, 2013, we issued 583 shares of Series D Preferred to an investor for aggregate proceeds of \$175,000. As a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.05 to \$0.03 per share on the total 260 shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at May 13, 2013, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized additional preferred deemed dividends of \$104,000. On August 30, 2013, we entered into an agreement to sell \$200,000 in convertible notes. As a result of the sale of these convertible notes and as a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred and Series D Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.03 to \$0.02 per share on the Series C and from \$0.10 to \$0.02 per share on the Series D on the total 147 shares and 930 shares, respectively, of Series C Preferred Stock and Series D Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at August 30, 2013, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized additional preferred deemed dividends of \$36,000 on the Series C Preferred Stock and \$465,077 on the Series D Preferred Stock. The net loss attributable to common shareholders reflects both the net loss and the deemed dividend. As a result of the \$500,000 loan and security agreement entered into on September 30, 2013, we issued to the lender 50 shares of our Series D Preferred stock for the \$50,000 loan origination fee.

See Note 14 for a discussion of the accounting treatment of the stock warrant transactions described above.

13. Stock Option and Incentive Plan

On August 8, 2006, we adopted the Andalay Solar, Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan (the “Stock Plan”) pursuant to which shares of common stock are available for issuance to employees, directors and consultants under the Stock Plan as restricted stock and/or options to purchase common stock. The Stock Plan allows for issuance of up to 3,000,000 shares and there were 1,112,310 shares available for issuance under the Stock Plan as of December 31, 2012. At our Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on September 19, 2013, our stockholders approved and adopted an amendment to our 2006 Incentive Stock Plan, increasing the number of shares of our common stock reserved for issuance under the Plan from 3,000,000 to 50,000,000.

Restricted stock and options to purchase common stock may be issued under the Stock Plan. The restriction period on restricted stock grants generally expire at a rate of 25% per quarter over one year or 25% per year over four years, unless decided otherwise by our Compensation Committee. Options to purchase common stock generally vest and become exercisable at a rate of 25% per quarter over one year or as to one-third of the total amount of shares subject to the option on each of the first, second and third anniversaries from the date of grant. Options to purchase common stock generally have a 5-year term.

We use the Black-Scholes-Merton Options Pricing Model (Black-Scholes) to estimate fair value of our employee and our non-employee director stock-based awards. Black-Scholes requires various judgmental assumptions, including estimating stock price volatility, expected option life and forfeiture rates. If we had made different assumptions, the amount of our deferred stock-based compensation, stock-based compensation expense, gross margin, net loss and net loss per share amounts could have been significantly different. We believe that we have used reasonable methodologies, approaches and assumptions to determine the fair value of our common stock, and that our deferred stock-based compensation and related amortization were recorded properly for accounting purposes. If any of the assumptions we used change significantly, stock-based compensation expense may differ materially in the future from that recorded in the current period.

We measure compensation expense for non-employee stock-based compensation under Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 505-50, "Equity-Based Payments to Non-Employees." The fair value of the option issued is used to measure the transaction, as this is more reliable than the fair value of the services received. The estimated fair value is measured utilizing Black-Scholes using the value of our common stock on the date that the commitment for performance by the counterparty has been reached or the counterparty's performance is complete (generally the vesting date). The fair value of the equity instrument is charged directly to expense and additional paid-in capital.

We recognized stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$110,200 and \$704,188 during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, relating to compensation expense calculated based on the fair value at the time of grant for restricted stock and based on Black-Scholes for stock options granted under the Stock Plan.

The following table sets forth a summary of restricted stock activity for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Number of Restricted Shares	Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value
Outstanding and not vested beginning balance at January 1, 2012	289,795	\$ 1.92
Granted	1,029,113	\$ 0.31
Forfeited/cancelled	(131,216)	\$ 1.68
Released/vested	(1,139,619)	\$ 0.47
Outstanding and not vested beginning balance at January 1, 2013	48,073	\$ 2.50
Granted	2,500,000	\$ 0.03
Forfeited/cancelled	(21,798)	\$ 2.46
Released/vested	(635,323)	\$ 0.08
Outstanding and not vested at December 31, 2013	1,890,952	\$ 0.05

Restricted stock is valued at the grant date fair value of the common stock and expensed over the requisite service period or vesting period. We estimate forfeitures when recognizing stock-based compensation expense for restricted stock, and the estimate of forfeitures is adjusted over the requisite service period should actual forfeitures differ from such estimates. At December 31, 2013 and 2012, there was approximately \$71,000 and \$96,000, respectively, of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense associated with the granted but unvested restricted stock.

Stock-based compensation expense relating to these restricted shares is being recognized over a weighted-average period of 0.8 years. The total fair value of shares vested during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, was approximately \$19,000 and \$256,000, respectively. Tax benefits resulting from tax deductions in excess of the compensation cost recognized (excess tax benefits) are classified as financing cash flows on our consolidated statements of cash flows. During the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, there were no excess tax benefits relating to restricted stock and therefore there is no impact on the accompanying consolidated statements of cash flows.

The following table sets forth a summary of stock option activity for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Number of Shares Subject To		Number of Shares Subject To	
	Option 2013	Weighted-Average Exercise Price	Option 2012	Weighted-Average Exercise Price
Outstanding beginning balance	679,744	\$ 2.82	1,077,744	\$ 5.47
Granted during the year	6,400,000	0.03	46,875	0.26
Forfeited/cancelled/expired during the year	(461,511)	3.29	(444,875)	9.08
Exercised during the year	—	—	—	—
Outstanding at end of year	6,618,233	\$ 0.11	679,744	\$ 2.75
Exercisable at end of year	2,330,650	\$ 0.28	477,538	\$ 2.82
Outstanding and expected to vest	6 191,212	\$ 0.11	669,049	\$ 2.82

Stock options are valued at the estimated fair value on the grant date or the measurement date and expensed over the requisite service period or vesting period. The weighted-average volatility was based upon the historical volatility of our common stock price. The fair value of stock option grants during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions:

	Twelve Months Ended			
	December 31,		2012	
	2013		2012	
Weighted-average volatility	105.5	%	105.5	%
Expected dividends	0.0	%	0.0	%
Expected life	2.0 years		2.9 years	
Weighted-average risk-free interest rate	0.30	%	0.25	%

The weighted-average fair value per share of the stock options as determined on the date of grant was \$0.02 for the stock options to purchase 6,400,000 shares of common stock granted during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and \$0.14 for the stock options to purchase 46,875 share of common stock granted during the twelve months ended December 31, 2012. The weighted-average remaining contractual term for the stock options outstanding (vested and expected to vest) and exercisable as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, was 4.7 years and 2.9 years, respectively. The total estimated fair value of stock options vested during the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was approximately \$80,000 and \$406,000, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic value of stock options outstanding as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 was zero.

We estimate forfeitures when recognizing stock-based compensation expense for stock options and the estimate of forfeitures is adjusted over the requisite service period should actual forfeitures differ from such estimates. At December 31, 2013 and 2012, there was approximately \$81,000 and \$94,000, respectively, of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense associated with stock options granted. Stock-based compensation expense relating to these stock options is being recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.6 years and 1.0, respectively. Tax benefits resulting from tax deductions in excess of the compensation cost recognized (excess tax benefits) is classified as financing cash flows on our consolidated statements of cash flows. During the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, there were no excess tax benefits relating to stock options and therefore there is no impact on the accompanying consolidated statements of cash flows.

Non-vested stock option activity for the year ended December 31, 2013 is as follows:

	Non-Vested Stock Options	Weighted-Average Grant Date Fair Value
Outstanding at December 31, 2012	202,206	\$ 0.65
Granted	6,400,000	\$ 0.02
Forfeited/cancelled	(119,499)	\$ 2.65
Released/vested	(2,195,124)	\$ 0.14
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	4,287,583	\$ 0.02

Options outstanding at December 31, 2013 are summarized as follows:

	Options Outstanding			Vested Options	
	Number Outstanding	Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Life (in years)	Weighted-Average Exercise Price	Number Outstanding	Weighted-Average Exercise Price
\$0.03 - \$0.11	6,412,500	4.9	\$0.03	2,145,750	\$0.03
\$0.40 - \$0.75	41,495	3.0	\$0.63	41,495	\$0.63
\$1.92 - \$3.48	124,238	2.0	\$2.41	103,405	\$2.46
\$4.00 - \$7.40	40,000	0.6	\$5.15	40,000	\$5.15
\$0.03 - \$7.40	6,618,233	4.8	\$0.11	2,330,650	\$0.24

14. Stock Warrants and Warrant Liability

During March 2009, in connection with an equity financing, we issued Series E Warrants to purchase 334,822 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$5.36 per share. The fair value of the warrants was estimated using Black-Scholes with the following weighted average assumptions: risk-free interest rate of 2.69%, an expected life of five years; an expected volatility factor of 112% and a dividend yield of 0.0%. The value assigned to these warrants was approximately \$1.0 million, of which \$1.0 million was reflected as common stock warrant liability with an offset to additional paid-in capital as of the offering close date. The fair value of the warrants decreased to zero as of December 31, 2013 and we recognized a \$9 favorable non-cash adjustment from the change in fair value of these warrants for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013.

On February 17, 2011, we entered into a securities purchase agreement and issued Series K Warrants to purchase up to 1,700,002 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$2.40 per share, which warrants are not exercisable until six months after issuance and have a term of five and one-half years. The fair value of the warrants was estimated using Black-Scholes with the following weighted-average assumptions: risk-free interest rate of 1.4%, an expected life of 4.1 years; an expected volatility factor of 103.2% and a dividend yield of 0.0%. The estimated value of these warrants was approximately \$2.6 million, of which \$2.6 million was reflected as common stock warrant liability with an offset to preferred stock as of the offering close date. During the quarter ended March 31, 2012, 472,222 Series K Warrants were exercised at a price of \$0.60 and total proceeds of approximately \$283,000. As a result of the exercise, we recognized approximately \$253,000 in the change in the estimated value assigned to the warrants as an increase to equity and a decrease to the warrant liability. On March 30, 2012, we entered into an Amendment to Securities Purchase Agreement with the holders of the remaining Series K warrants (Series K Amendment) reducing the exercise price to \$0.40 and removing provisions for any future price adjustment to the exercise price. On March 30, 2012, the fair value of the warrants was estimated using Black-Scholes with the following weighted average assumptions: risk-free interest rate of 0.5%, an expected life of 3.0 years; an expected volatility factor of 109.3% and a dividend yield of 0.0%. The fair value of the warrants increased to approximately \$481,000 as of March 30, 2012 and we recognized a \$425,000 unfavorable non-cash adjustment from the change in fair value of these warrants for the three months ended March 31, 2012. As a result of the Series K Amendment, the fair value of the warrants of approximately \$481,000 was reclassified from warrant liability to equity.

Edgar Filing: Andalay Solar, Inc. - Form 424B3

On December 19, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of a (i) convertible note in the principal amount of \$250,000 that matures December 19, 2015 and (ii) five- year warrant (with a cashless exercise feature under certain circumstances) to purchase 6,250,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.02, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. See Note 9 for further discussion of the issuance of the convertible note.

The following table summarizes the Warrant activity for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012:

	Warrants for Number of Shares	Weighted-Average Exercise Price
Outstanding at January 1, 2012	4,106,016	\$ 3.57
Issued	—	—
Exercised	(472,222)	(0.60)
Cancelled/expired	(235,749)	(40.32)
Outstanding at December 31, 2012	3,398,045	1.36
Issued	6,250,000	0.02
Exercised	—	—
Cancelled/expired	—	—
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	9,648,045	\$ 0.49

The majority of our warrants outstanding are not exercisable for six months from the date of issuance and are exercisable for either 4½ years or 5 years thereafter. Our outstanding warrants expire on various dates between December 2014 and December 2018.

15. Fair Value Measurement

We use a fair-value approach to value certain assets and liabilities. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. As such, fair value is a market-based measurement that should be determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. We use a fair value hierarchy, which distinguishes between assumptions based on market data (observable inputs) and an entity's own assumptions (unobservable inputs). The hierarchy consists of three levels:

- Level one — Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level two — Inputs other than level one inputs that are either directly or indirectly observable; and
- Level three — Unobservable inputs developed using estimates and assumptions, which are developed by the reporting entity and reflect those assumptions that a market participant would use.

Determining which category an asset or liability falls within the hierarchy requires significant judgment. We evaluate our hierarchy disclosures each quarter. Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized as follows:

Liabilities	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	December 31, 2013
Fair value of embedded derivatives	—	—	\$177,927	\$177,927
Total	\$—	\$—	\$177,927	\$177,927

Liabilities	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	December 31, 2012
Fair value of common stock warrant liability	\$—	\$—	\$9	\$9
Accrued rent related to office closures	—	—	8,657	8,657
Total	\$—	\$—	\$8,666	\$8,666

On August 30, 2013, November 25, 2013 and December 19, 2013, we entered into securities purchase agreements relating to the sale and issuance of convertible notes in the principal amounts of \$200,000, \$200,000 and \$250,000. Each of the Convertible Notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. Subject to our fulfilling certain conditions, including beneficial ownership limits, the convertible notes are subject to a mandatory conversion if the closing price of our common stock for any 20 consecutive days commencing six months after the issue date of the convertible notes equal or exceeds \$0.04. The terms of the convertible notes meet the criteria for the bifurcation of an embedded derivative. Therefore, we recorded the fair value of the embedded derivative liability as of the issuance date for each of the convertible notes for an aggregate fair value of \$243,889.

A discussion of the valuation techniques used to measure fair value for the common stock warrants is in Note 14. The accrued rent relates to a non-cash charge for the closure of our Anaheim, California location, calculated by discounting the future lease payments to their present value using a risk-free discount rate from 0.6%. The accrued rent is included within liabilities of discontinued operations and long-term liabilities of discontinued operations in our consolidated balance sheets.

The following table shows the changes in Level 3 liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the twelve months ended December 31, 2013:

	Other Liabilities*	Common Stock Warrant Liability	Embedded Derivative on Convertible Notes	Total Level 3
Beginning balance – January 1, 2013	\$8,657	\$9	\$—	\$8,666
Issuances	—	—	243,889	243,889
Total realized and unrealized gains or losses	43	(9)	(65,962)	(65,928)
Repayments	(8,700)	—	—	(8,700)
Transfers out of level 3 upon exercise or conversion	—	—	—	—
Ending balance – December 31, 2013	\$—	\$—	\$ 177,927	\$ 177,927

* Represents the estimated fair value of the office closures included in accrued and other long-term liabilities.

16. Income Taxes

During the years ended December 31, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively, there was no income tax expense or benefit for federal and state income taxes in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations due to our net loss and a valuation allowance on the resulting deferred tax assets.

The actual tax expense differs from the "expected" tax expense for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 (computed by applying the U.S. Federal Corporate tax rate of 34% to income before taxes) as follows:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Tax at federal statutory rate	\$(967,000)	\$(2,936,000)
State taxes, net of federal benefit	(160,000)	(454,000)
Research and development credits	(12,000)	—
Fair market value of warrants & derivatives	(22,000)	142,000
Stock based compensation	29,000	145,000
Other permanent items	1,000	(7,000)
Valuation allowance	1,131,000	3,110,000
Income tax provision	\$—	\$—

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of deferred tax assets and liabilities at December 31, 2013 and 2012 are as follows:

	December 31, 2013	December 31, 2012
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating loss and credit carryforwards	\$29,431,000	\$27,874,000
Stock-based compensation	1,193,000	1,190,000
Accruals	558,000	976,000
Basis difference for fixed assets and intangibles	174,000	190,000
Total gross deferred tax assets	31,356,000	30,230,000
Valuation allowance	(31,356,000)	(30,230,000)
Net deferred tax assets	\$—	\$—

A valuation allowance is provided when it is more likely than not that some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. We established a 100% valuation allowance due to the uncertainty of realizing future tax benefits from its net operating loss carryforwards and other deferred tax assets. At December 31, 2013, we had useable net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$73.2 million for federal and \$71.0 million for state income tax purposes available to offset future taxable income expiring through 2033 for both federal and California. At December 31, 2013, we had useable research and development credits of approximately \$361,000 for federal and \$231,000 for California. The federal credits expire through 2032 and the state credits have no expiration. The net change in the valuation allowance during the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was an increase of approximately \$1,100,000 primarily due to current year losses.

Internal Revenue Code Section 382 places a limitation (the "Section 382 Limitation") on the amount of taxable income, which can be offset by net operating loss carryforwards after a change in control (generally greater than a 50% change in ownership) of a loss corporation. Generally, after a control change, a loss corporation cannot deduct operating loss carryforwards in excess of the Section 382 Limitation. Due to these "change in ownership" provisions,

utilization of the net operating loss and periods. The company has not concluded its analysis of Section 382 through December 31, 2013 but believes that these provisions will not limit the availability of losses to offset future income.

On January 1, 2007, the Company adopted ASC Topic 740—Income Taxes (“ASC 740”) FASB ASC 740, Income Taxes—an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (“FIN 48”). Due to net operating loss and research credit carryforwards, substantially all of the Company’s tax years remain open to U.S. federal and state tax examinations. The Company classifies interest and penalties recognized pursuant to Interpretation 48 as part of income tax expense. No interest or penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits have been accrued for the year ended December 31, 2013.

The aggregate changes in the balance of gross unrecognized tax benefits were as follows (in thousands):

	2013	2012
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 140,000	\$ 136,000
Additions based on tax positions related to the current year	—	—
Additions for tax positions related to prior years	7,000	4,000
Reductions for tax positions related to prior years	—	—
Balance, end of year	\$ 147,000	\$ 140,000

In the event that any unrecognized tax benefits are recognized, the effective tax rate will be affected. Approximately \$121,000 and \$128,000 at December 31, 2012 and 2013, respectively, of unrecognized tax benefits would impact the effective rate, if recognized.

17. Commitments and Contingencies

Westinghouse License

On May 17, 2010, we entered into an exclusive worldwide agreement that permits us to manufacture, distribute and market our solar panels under the Westinghouse name. On August 23, 2013, the license agreement with Westinghouse, Inc. was terminated.

Operating Leases

The lease on our Campbell, California corporate office and San Jose, California warehouse facility was month-to-month during 2013. Total rent paid for continuing operations amounted to approximately \$203,000 for each of the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Our corporate office lease terminated as of December 31, 2013, and effective January 1, 2014, we consolidated our executive offices with our warehouse premises. Our warehouse lease agreement expires on February 28, 2015.

Litigation

On May 1, 2012, Suntech America, Inc., a Delaware corporation (Suntech America), filed a complaint for breach of contract, goods sold and delivered, account stated and open account against us in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Francisco. Suntech America alleged that it delivered products and did not receive full payment from us. On July 31, 2012, we and Suntech entered into a settlement of this dispute. Because of our inability to make scheduled settlement payments, on March 15, 2013, Suntech entered a judgment against us in the amount of \$946,438. As of December 31, 2013, Suntech has not sought to enforce its judgment. As of December 31, 2013, we have included in accounts payable in our Consolidated Balance Sheets a balance due to Suntech America of \$946,438.

On February 21, 2014 ASC Recap filed with the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida (the "Court") an amended complaint and demand for payment of the debt it acquired from one of our creditors. On February 26, 2014, we entered into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation with ASC Recap LLC that was filed with the Court pursuant to which we agreed, subject to court approval, to issue shares of our common stock in a Section 3(a) (10) proceeding that generate proceeds in the amount of \$250,000 in full settlement of a claim in the amount of \$1,027,705 that ASC Recap acquired from one Creditor (the value of the stock that we agreed to issue was two hundred and fifty percent (250%) of the discounted purchase price ASC paid to purchase the debt from the Creditor, and approximately 25% of the original amount we owed to the Creditor). We are awaiting court approval of the settlement.

We are also involved in other litigation from time to time in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the outcome of such proceedings will not materially affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

18. Concentration of Risk in Customer and Supplier Relationships

Supplier Relationships

Historically, we obtained virtually all of our solar panels from Suntech and Lightway. During 2012, because of our cash position and liquidity constraints, we were late in making payments to both of these suppliers. On March 30, 2012, pursuant to our Supply Agreement with Lightway, we issued 1,900,000 shares of our common stock to Lightway in partial payment of our past due account payable to them. At the time of issuance, the shares were valued at \$1,045,000. On May 1, 2012, Suntech filed a complaint for breach of contract, goods sold and delivered, account stated and open account against us in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Francisco. Suntech alleged that it delivered products and did not receive full payment from us. On July 31, 2012, we and Suntech entered into a settlement of this dispute. Because of our inability to make scheduled settlement payments, on March 15, 2013, Suntech entered a judgment against us in the amount of \$946,438. As of December 31, 2013, Suntech has not sought to enforce its judgment. As of December 31, 2013, we have included in accounts payable in our Consolidated Balance Sheets a balance due to Suntech America of \$946,438. We currently have no unshipped orders from Suntech or Lightway.

In May 2013, we entered into a new supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd (“EEG”), an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013. In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Tianwei New Energy Co, Ltd. (Tianwei), a panel supplier located in China. We began receiving product from Tianwei in February 2014. Although we believe we can find alternative suppliers for solar panels manufactured to our specifications, our operations would be disrupted unless we are able to rapidly secure alternative sources of supply, our inventory and revenue could diminish significantly, causing disruption to our operations.

Customer Relationships

The relative magnitude and the mix of revenue from our largest customers have varied significantly quarter to quarter. During the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, four customers have accounted for significant revenues, varying by period, to our company: Sustainable Environmental Enterprises (SEE), a leading provider of renewable energy and development projects located in New Orleans, Louisiana, Lennox International Inc. (Lennox), a global leader in the heating and air conditioning markets, Lowe's Companies, Inc. (Lowe's), a nationwide home improvement retail chain, and Lennar Corporation (Lennar), a leading national homebuilder. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, the percentages of sales to SEE, Lennar, Lennox and Lowe's are as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2013		2012	
Sustainable Environmental Enterprises	52.8	%	7.5	%
Lennox International Inc.	2.5	%	30.1	%
Lowe's Companies, Inc.	6.9	%	7.7	%
Lennar Corporation	0.0	%	8.8	%

SEE accounted for approximately \$499,000 or 86.7% of our gross accounts receivable as of December 31, 2013. As of the date hereof, the \$499,000 receivable from SEE is past due. SEE has indicated that the past-due payment is late due to a processing delay of a rebate owed to it from the State of Louisiana and expects that full payment will be made in a few weeks upon its receipt of the rebate. Notwithstanding, no assurance can be given by us as to when a rebate will be issued to SEE by the State of Louisiana or as to when or to what extent payment will be received by us if it isn't issued timely. We had no receivable balance from Lennox, Lowe's or Lennar as of December 2013. Lennox and Lowe's accounted for 5.9% and 4.0%, respectively, of our gross accounts receivable as of December 31, 2012. We had no receivable balance for SEE or Lennar as of December 31, 2012.

We maintain reserves for potential credit losses and such losses, in the aggregate, have generally not exceeded management's estimates. Our top three vendors accounted for approximately 25% and 36% of accounts payable as of and December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. At December 31, 2013 and 2012, accounts payable included amounts owed to our top three vendors of approximately \$1.1 million and \$960,000, respectively.

19. Employee Benefit Plan

On December 14, 2007, the Board of Directors approved the 401(k) profit sharing plan (the "401(k) Plan") effective January 1, 2008. Employees began deferring a portion of their compensation into the 401(k) Plan commencing on January 1, 2008. In 2011, we began making matching contributions equal to 10% of the employee contribution. For the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, there was no accrual relating to this matching contribution.

20. Subsequent Events

On January 22, 2014, we entered into a Settlement of Potential Claims Agreement with ASC Recap LLC (ASC). Pursuant to the Agreement, ASC has offered to purchase (and in one (1) case has already purchased) approximately \$3.7 million of our prior debt owed to four creditors (Creditors) for past due services at a substantial discount to face value to which we have agreed to issue to ASC certain shares of our common stock in a §3(a)(10) 1933 Act proceeding. The shares of our common stock that we have agreed to issue to ASC in full payment for, and as a release of any debt it purchases from the Creditors, is anticipated to have, upon issuance, a market value equal to approximately 25% of the principal amount of our outstanding debt. In the case of the debt ASC already purchased

from one (1) Creditor, the value of the stock that we have agreed to issue was two hundred and fifty percent (250%) of the discounted purchase price ASC paid to purchase the debt from the Creditor, and approximately 25% of the original amount we owed to the Creditor. The stock to be issued by us and the purchase of the debt by ASC of the remaining three Creditors is subject to the acceptance of offers by the Creditors.

F - 24

On January 23, 2014, we entered into a new Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge Partners II, LP (Southridge), that superseded our prior Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge that was entered into on November 25, 2013 (the "Prior Equity Purchase Agreement"). The terms of the new Equity Purchase Agreement are identical to those of the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement other than that the New Equity Purchase Agreement provides that the Agreement may not be amended by either party. Pursuant to the New Equity Purchase Agreement and as provided in the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement, Southridge has committed to purchase up to \$5,000,000 worth of our common stock, over a period of time terminating on the earlier of: (i) 18 months from the effective date of the registration statement to be filed by us for the New Equity Purchase Agreement; or (ii) the date on which Southridge has purchased an aggregate maximum purchase price of \$5,000,000 pursuant to the New Equity Purchase Agreement; Southridge's commitment to purchase our common stock is subject to various conditions, including, but not limited to, limitations based on the trading volume of our common stock.

On January 27, 2014, we issued a convertible note in the principal amount of \$100,000 that matures January 27, 2016 under the Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with an institutional investor on December 19, 2013. The convertible note bears interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, is payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible note are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. See Note 9 for further description of this note payable.

On February 21, 2014 ASC Recap filed with the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida (the "Court") an amended complaint and demand for payment of the debt it acquired from one of our creditors. On February 26, 2014, we entered into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation with ASC Recap LLC that was filed with the Court pursuant to which we agreed, subject to court approval, to issue shares of our common stock in a Section 3(a) (10) proceeding that generate proceeds in the amount of \$250,000 in full settlement of a claim in the amount of \$1,027,705 that ASC Recap acquired from one Creditor (the value of the stock that we agreed to issue was two hundred and fifty percent (250%) of the discounted purchase price ASC paid to purchase the debt from the Creditor, and approximately 25% of the original amount we owed to the Creditor). We are awaiting court approval of the settlement.

On February 25, 2014, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with a certain institutional accredited investor relating to the sale and issuance of a (i) convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures February 25, 2016 and (ii) five- year warrant (with a cashless exercise feature under certain circumstances) to purchase 5,000,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.02, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. The convertible note bears interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, is payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible note are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. Subject to us fulfilling certain conditions, including beneficial ownership limits, the convertible note is subject to a mandatory conversion if the closing price of our common stock for any 20 consecutive days commencing six months after the issue date of the convertible note equals or exceeds \$0.04. Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible note can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion.

Andalay Solar, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(unaudited)

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$439,396	\$150,081
Accounts receivable, net	140,298	567,523
Other receivables	282	21,378
Inventory	624,870	786,636
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	168,276	317,510
Total current assets	1,373,122	1,843,128
Property and equipment, net	2,563	13,854
Patents, net	1,159,673	1,244,712
Other assets, net	149,579	163,711
Assets of discontinued operations – long-term	200,000	200,000
Total assets	\$2,884,937	\$3,465,405
Liabilities, Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Deficit		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$3,131,781	\$4,199,511
Accrued liabilities	74,957	89,730
Accrued warranty	366,128	344,990
Deferred revenue	20,000	—
Credit facility	500,000	500,000
Capital lease obligations – current portion	—	299
Derivative liability – embedded conversion feature	165,901	177,927
Current portion of long-term debt	—	129,839
Convertible notes – short-term	70,000	60,000
Liabilities of discontinued operations	912,776	967,928
Total current liabilities	5,241,543	6,470,224
Convertible notes, less current portion (net of discount)	645,198	382,084
Total liabilities	5,886,741	6,852,308
Commitments and contingencies (Note 17)		
Series C convertible redeemable preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; 0 and 87 issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively	—	163,998
Series D convertible redeemable preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; 0 and 860 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively	—	858,565
Stockholders' deficit:		
Series B convertible redeemable preferred stock, \$0.001 par value; 0 and 467 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively	—	146,224
	249,317	116,339

Edgar Filing: Andalay Solar, Inc. - Form 424B3

Common stock, \$0.001 par value; 500,000,000 shares authorized; 249,317,132 and 116,339,293 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively

Additional paid-in capital	81,429,766	78,717,997
Accumulated deficit	(84,680,887)	(83,390,026)
Total stockholders' deficit	(3,001,804)	(4,409,466)
Total liabilities, redeemable convertible preferred stock and stockholders' deficit	\$2,884,937	\$3,465,405

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

F - 26

Andalay Solar, Inc.
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Net revenue	\$605,943	\$156,630	\$1,055,344	\$367,870
Cost of goods sold	550,630	167,891	982,658	407,359
Gross profit (loss)	55,313	(11,261)	72,686	(39,489)
Operating expenses				
Sales and marketing	93,861	201,590	232,577	804,048
General and administrative	481,398	595,241	1,622,944	1,816,338
Total operating expenses	575,259	796,831	1,855,521	2,620,386
Loss from continuing operations	(519,946)	(808,092)	(1,782,835)	(2,659,875)
Other income (expense)				
Interest income (expense), net	(99,212)	(1,367)	(290,171)	(6,730)
Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives	48,607	—	31,924	—
Adjustment to the fair value of common stock warrants	—	—	—	9
Settlement of prior debt owed	—	—	769,148	420,000
Total other income (expense), net	(50,605)	(1,367)	510,901	413,279
Loss before provision for income taxes and discontinued operations	(570,551)	(809,459)	(1,271,934)	(2,246,596)
Provision for income taxes	—	—	—	—
Net loss from continuing operations	(570,551)	(809,459)	(1,271,934)	(2,246,596)
Net income from discontinued operations, net of tax (Note 3)	—	3,200	—	10,797
Net loss	(570,551)	(806,259)	(1,271,934)	(2,235,799)
Preferred stock dividend	(83)	(28,980)	(18,927)	(124,509)
Preferred deemed dividend	—	(501,304)	—	(875,304)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders	\$(570,634)	\$(1,336,543)	\$(1,290,861)	\$(3,235,612)
Net loss attributable to common stockholders per common share (basic and diluted)	\$(0.00)	\$(0.02)	\$(0.01)	\$(0.06)
Weighted-average shares used in computing loss per common share:	240,341,308	81,746,372	188,131,135	56,695,767

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

Andalay Solar, Inc.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Redeemable Convertible Preferred Stock and Stockholders' Deficit
(Unaudited)

	Series C Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock		Series D Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock		Series B Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock		Common Stock		Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumula Deficit
	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount	Number of Shares	Amount		
Balance as of January 1, 2014	87	\$163,998	860	\$858,565	467	\$146,224	116,339,293	\$116,339	\$78,717,997	\$(83,390,000)
Issuance of common stock pursuant to registration statement	—	—	—	—	—	—	39,864,947	39,865	835,135	—
Issuance of common stock u p o n conversion of note payable	—	—	—	—	—	—	24,496,404	24,496	470,848	—
Conversion of Series B Convertible Redeemable preferred stock to common stock	—	—	—	—	(467)	(146,224)	21,020,015	21,020	125,204	—
Conversion of Series C Convertible Redeemable preferred stock to common stock	(87)	(163,998)	—	—	—	—	4,333,350	4,333	159,665	—
Conversion of Series D Convertible Redeemable preferred stock to common stock	—	—	(860)	(858,565)	—	—	43,000,000	43,000	815,565	—
Convertible Redeemable Preferred	—	—	—	—	—	—	643,520	644	18,283	(18,927)

Stock dividends paid in common stock											
Placement agent and registration fees and other direct costs	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(36,618))	—
Convertible note embedded derivative and warrants: accretion of note to face value	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	170,767		—
Grants of restricted stock, net of forfeitures and upon exercise or expiration of warrants	—	—	—	—	—	—	(380,397))	(380))	(8,312)
Stock-based compensation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	161,232		
Net loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		(1,271,990)
Balance as of September 30, 2014	—	\$—	—	\$—	—	\$—	249,317,132	\$249,317	\$81,429,766		\$(84,680,000)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

Andalay Solar, Inc.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Unaudited)Nine Months Ended
September 30,
2014 2013

Cash flows from operating activities		
Net loss	\$(1,271,934)	\$(2,235,799)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operations:		
Depreciation	11,291	27,784
Amortization	85,039	83,969
Bad debt expense	4,492	89,325
Unrealized (gain) loss on fair value adjustment of common stock warrants	—	(9)
Unrealized (gain) loss on fair value of embedded derivatives	(31,924)	—
Accretion of interest on convertible note	129,414	—
Non-cash stock-based compensation expense	161,232	30,488
Non-cash settlement of prior debt owed	(769,148)	—
Accrued interest payable	66,498	—
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	422,733	242,741
Other receivables	21,096	121,948
Inventory	161,766	(61,228)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	149,234	196,756
Assets of discontinued operations – short term	—	10,895
Other assets	14,132	(1,546)
Accounts payable	111,418	1,186,329
Accrued liabilities and accrued warranty	10,217	(419,393)
Deferred revenue	20,000	—
Liabilities of discontinued operations	(55,152)	(61,886)
Net cash used in operating activities	(759,596)	(789,626)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Borrowing on convertible notes payable	600,000	201,363
Repayment of notes payable	(130,480)	—
Proceeds from equity credit agreement	625,000	—
Borrowing on line of credit	—	350,000
Repayments on capital lease obligations	(299)	(3,425)
Proceeds from convertible redeemable preferred stock offering	—	550,000
Payment of placement agent and registration fees and other direct costs	(36,618)	(55,919)
Employee taxes paid for vesting of restricted stock	(8,692)	(302)
Net cash provided by financing activities	1,048,911	1,041,717
Net increase in cash	289,315	252,091
Cash		
Beginning of period	150,081	127,385
End of period	\$439,396	379,476
Supplemental cash flows disclosures:		
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$51,667	\$6,759
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash financing activity:		
Conversion of preferred stock to common stock	\$1,168,787	\$1,809,317

Edgar Filing: Andalay Solar, Inc. - Form 424B3

Return of Series D Convertible Preferred Stock	—	\$80,123
Embedded derivative on convertible note issued	\$122,630	\$—
Embedded derivative converted to equity	\$102,731	\$—
Grant of warrants on issue of convertible note	\$170,767	\$—
Preferred deemed dividend	\$—	\$875,304
Preferred stock dividends paid in common stock	\$18,927	\$124,509
Preferred stock issued for payment of financial advisor fees	\$—	\$210,000
Conversion of convertible note to common stock	\$392,612	\$—
Common stock issued to settle claim	\$250,000	\$—
Convertible note issued to financial advisor in exchange for accounts payable	\$160,000	\$—

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

F - 29

Andalay Solar, Inc.
Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements
September 30, 2014
(Unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation and Description of Business

Basis of Presentation — Interim Financial Information

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements are unaudited and have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information. They should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes to the consolidated financial statements of Andalay Solar, Inc. (“we”, “us”, “our” or the “Company”), formerly Westinghouse Solar, Inc. and Akeena Solar Inc., for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 appearing in our Form 10-K. The September 30, 2014 unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q have been prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”). Certain information and note disclosures normally included in annual financial statements filed with our Annual Report on Form 10-K have been condensed or omitted as permitted by those rules and regulations. In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, necessary for a fair statement of the results of operations for the interim periods presented have been reflected herein. The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the entire year or any future interim period.

Description of Business

We are a designer of solar power systems and solar panels with integrated microinverters (which we call AC solar panels) and a solar power residential installer. We design, market and sell these solar power systems to other solar installers and do-it-yourself customers in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and South America through distribution partnerships, our dealer network and retail outlets. Our products are designed for use in solar power systems for residential and commercial rooftop customers. We exited the solar power installation business in September 2010, but we have recently re-entered that market.

We were incorporated in February 2001 as Akeena Solar, Inc. in the State of California and elected at that time to be taxed as an S corporation. During June 2006, we reincorporated in the State of Delaware and became a C corporation. On August 11, 2006, we entered into a reverse merger transaction with Fairview Energy Corporation, Inc. (“Fairview”). Pursuant to the Merger, the stockholders of the Company received one share of Fairview common stock for each issued and outstanding share of the Company’s common stock. The Company’s common shares were also adjusted from \$0.01 par value to \$0.001 par value at the time of the Merger. On May 17, 2010, we entered into an exclusive worldwide license agreement with Westinghouse, Inc, which permitted us to manufacture, distribute and market solar panels under the Westinghouse name and in connection therewith, on April 6, 2011, we changed our name to Westinghouse Solar, Inc. On August 23, 2013, the license agreement with Westinghouse, Inc. was terminated and on September 19, 2013, we changed our name to our current name, Andalay Solar, Inc.

On May 7, 2012, we entered into a merger agreement with CBD Energy Limited, an Australian corporation (“CBD”). We had originally targeted completion of the merger during the third quarter of 2012, however the target date for completion had been repeatedly delayed, and the necessary registration statement had yet to be completed and filed. The uncertainty resulted in a disruption in our supply relationships, leading to a significant decline in our revenue and the implementation of significant cost reductions including the layoff of employees during the time we pursued the merger. Given the continued delays and uncertainty of whether and when the closing conditions for the merger as set for in the merger agreement would be satisfied, we terminated the merger agreement with CBD effective July 18,

2013. We are committed to focus our attention on rebuilding our core business, expanding our current product offerings and exploring strategic opportunities.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Liquidity and Financial Position

We currently face challenges meeting the working capital needs of our business. Our primary requirements for working capital are to fund purchases for solar panels and microinverters, and to cover our payroll and lease expenses. We have incurred net losses and negative cash flows from operations for the quarter and the nine months ended September 30, 2014, and for each of the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012. During recent years, we have undertaken several equity and debt financing transactions to provide the

F - 30

capital needed to sustain our business. We have dramatically reduced our headcount and other variable expenses. As of September 30, 2014, we had approximately \$439,000 in cash on hand. We intend to address ongoing working capital needs through sales of remaining inventory, along with raising additional debt and equity financing. In January 2013, our board of directors approved actions to dramatically reduce our variable operating costs, including a 12 person employee headcount reduction effective January 15, 2013, for the period through the anticipated merger closing with CBD, which merger was terminated in July 2013. No restructuring charges or severance payments were incurred. Our revenue levels remain difficult to predict, and we anticipate that we will continue to sustain losses in the near term, and we cannot assure investors that we will be successful in reaching break-even.

During 2012, because of our cash position and liquidity constraints, we were late in making payments to both of our former panel suppliers, Suntech and Lightway. We currently have no unshipped orders from these suppliers. In May 2013, we entered into a new supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd (“EEG”), an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013. In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Tianwei New Energy Co, Ltd., a panel supplier located in China. We began receiving product from Tianwei in February 2014 and stopped as of June 2014. In July 2014, we entered into a supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Auxin Solar, Inc., a panel supplier located in the United States. We expect to begin receiving product from Auxin in the fourth quarter of 2014. Although we believe we can find alternative suppliers for solar panels manufactured to our specifications, our operations would be disrupted unless we are able to rapidly secure alternative sources of supply, our inventory and revenue could diminish significantly, causing disruption to our operations.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming we will continue as a going concern. Our significant operating losses, negative cash flow from operations, and challenges in rapidly securing alternative sources of supply for solar panels, raise substantial uncertainty about our ability to continue as a going concern. The accompanying financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty, and contemplate the realization of assets and the settlement of liabilities and commitments in the normal course of business. There can be no assurance that we will be able to raise additional funds on commercially reasonable terms, if at all. There is uncertainty to our anticipated revenue levels and to the timing of cash receipts, which are needed to support our operations. It also worsens the market conditions for seeking equity and debt financing. We currently anticipate that we will retain all of our earnings, if any, for development of our business and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends on common stock in the foreseeable future.

Securities Purchase Agreement

On February 25, 2014, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with a certain institutional accredited investor relating to the sale and issuance of a (i) convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures February 25, 2016 and (ii) five-year warrant (with a cashless exercise feature under certain circumstances) to purchase 5,000,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. On March 18, 2014, we issued under the Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with the institutional investor on February 25, 2014 a (i) convertible note in the principal amount of \$300,000 that matures March 18, 2016 and (ii) five-year warrant (with a cashless exercise feature under certain circumstances) to purchase 7,500,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. The convertible notes bears interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, are payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. Subject to us fulfilling certain conditions, including beneficial ownership limits, the convertible notes are subject to mandatory conversion if the closing price of

our common stock for any 20 consecutive days commencing six months after the issue date of the convertible notes equals or exceeds \$0.04 per share. Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible notes can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion.

Equity Purchase Agreement

On January 23, 2014, we entered into a new Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge Partners II, LP (“Southridge”), that superseded our prior Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge that was entered into on November 25, 2013 (the “Prior Equity Purchase Agreement”). The terms of the new Equity Purchase Agreement are identical to those of the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement other than that the New Equity Purchase Agreement provides that the Agreement may not be amended by either party. Pursuant to the New Equity Purchase Agreement and as provided in the Prior Equity Purchase Agreement, Southridge has committed to purchase up to \$5,000,000 worth of our common stock, over a period of time terminating on the earlier of: (i) 18 months from the effective date of the registration statement to be filed by us for the New Equity Purchase Agreement; or (ii) the date on which Southridge has purchased an aggregate maximum purchase price of \$5,000,000 pursuant to the New Equity Purchase Agreement;

Southridge's commitment to purchase our common stock is subject to various conditions, including, but not limited to, limitations based on the trading volume of our common stock. On March 11, 2014, we filed a Registration Statement on Form S-1/A to register 35 million shares of common stock related to our Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge and on March 21, 2014, the Securities and Exchange Commission declared the Registration Statement effective. On March 26, 2014, we submitted an initial take-down request of \$300,000 to Southridge pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement of which partial proceeds of \$100,000 was received on March 31, 2014 and \$200,000 on April 16, 2014. On April 17, 2014, we issued 8,079,800 shares of our common stock in a Section 3(a)(10) proceeding that generated proceeds in the amount of \$250,000 in full settlement of a claim (see Note 17. Commitments and Contingencies). On June 4, 2014, June 18, 2014 and July 8, 2014, we submitted additional take-down requests for \$100,000, \$100,000 and \$125,000, respectively, pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement. We issued a total of 31,760,578 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$0.02 per share pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement. We have approximately 2.2 million shares remaining under our effective Form S-1 and available pursuant to the terms of our Equity Purchase Agreement following our take-downs through November 12, 2014.

Settlement of Potential Claims Agreement

On January 22, 2014, we entered into a Settlement of Potential Claims Agreement with ASC Recap LLC ("ASCR"). Pursuant to the Agreement, ASCR has offered to purchase (and in one (1) case has already purchased) approximately \$3.7 million of our prior debt owed to four creditors ("Creditors") for past due services at a substantial discount to face value to which we have agreed to issue to ASCR certain shares of our common stock in a §3(a)(10) 1933 Act proceeding. The shares of our common stock that we have agreed to issue to ASCR in full payment for, and as a release of any debt it purchases from the Creditors, is anticipated to have, upon issuance, a market value equal to approximately 25% of the principal amount of our outstanding debt. In the case of the debt ASCR already purchased from one (1) Creditor, we entered into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation on February 26, 2014 that was filed with the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida pursuant to which we agreed, subject to court approval, to issue shares of our common stock that generate proceeds in the amount of \$250,000 in full settlement of the claim in the amount of \$1,027,705 that ASCR acquired from one Creditor (the value of the stock that we have agreed to issue was two hundred and fifty percent (250%) of the discounted purchase price ASCR paid to purchase the debt from the Creditor, and approximately 25% of the original amount we owed to the Creditor), resulting in a gain on settlement of \$769,148, net of expenses. On March 24, 2014, the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida, approved the §3(a)(10) 1933 Act proceeding and Settlement Agreement and Stipulation and in April 2014, we issued 8,079,800 shares of common stock at an average price of \$0.031 for the full settlement of the agreement with ASCR. The stock to be issued by us and the purchase of the debt by ASCR of the remaining three Creditors is subject to the acceptance of offers by the Creditors.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue from sales of products is recognized when: (1) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, (2) delivery has occurred or services have been rendered, (3) the sale price is fixed or determinable, and (4) collection of the related receivable is reasonably assured. We recognize revenue when the solar power systems are shipped to the customer.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

We consider all highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less, when purchased, to be cash equivalents. We maintain cash and cash equivalents which consist principally of demand deposits with high credit quality financial institutions. At certain times, such amounts exceed FDIC insurance limits. We have not experienced any losses on these investments and, as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, we had no cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist of trade receivables. We regularly evaluate the collectibility of our accounts receivable. An allowance for doubtful accounts is maintained for estimated credit losses, and such losses have historically been minimal and within our expectations. We consider a number of factors when estimating credit losses, including the aging of a customer's account, creditworthiness of specific customers, historical trends and other information.

Discontinued Operations

Discontinued operations are presented and accounted for in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 360, “Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets,” (“ASC 360”). When a qualifying component of the Company is disposed of or has been classified as held for sale, the operating results of that component are removed from continuing operations for all periods presented and displayed as discontinued operations if: (a) elimination of the component’s operations and cash flows from the Company’s ongoing operations has occurred (or will occur) and (b) significant continuing involvement by the Company in the component’s operations does not exist after the disposal transaction.

On September 10, 2010, we announced that we were exiting the solar panel installation business. The exit from the installation business was essentially completed by the end of 2010, other than potential warranty payments related to past installations. (See “Manufacturer and Installation Warranties”). The exit from the installation business was therefore classified as discontinued operations for all periods presented under the requirements of ASC 360.

Manufacturer and Installation Warranties

The manufacturer directly warrants the solar panels and inverters for a range from 15 to 25 years. We warrant the balance of system components of our products against defects in material and workmanship for five years. We assist our customers in the event of a claim under the manufacturer warranty to replace a defective solar panel or inverter. The warranty liability for the material and the workmanship of the balance of system components of approximately \$366,000 as of September 30, 2014 and \$345,000 as of December 31, 2013, is included within “Accrued warranty” in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

The liability for our manufacturing warranty consists of the following:

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Beginning accrued warranty balance	\$344,990	\$329,680
Reduction for labor payments and claims made under the warranty	—	(4,400)
Accruals related to warranties issued during the period	21,138	19,710
Ending accrued warranty balance	\$366,128	\$344,990

We previously recorded a provision for warranty liability related to our discontinued installation operations. We provided for a 5-year or a 10-year warranty on the installation of a system and all equipment and incidental supplies other than solar panels and inverters that are covered under the manufacturer warranty. The liability for the installation warranty of approximately \$913,000 as of September 30, 2014 and \$968,000 as of December 31, 2013 is included within “Liabilities of Discontinued Operations” in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. Defective solar panels or inverters are covered under the manufacturer warranty. In the event that a panel or inverter needs to be replaced, we will replace the defective item within the manufacturer’s warranty period (between 5 – 25 years).

Patent Costs

We capitalize external legal costs and filing fees associated with obtaining or defending our patents. Upon issuance of new patents or successful defense of existing patents, we amortize these costs using the straight line method over the shorter of the legal life of the patent or its economic life. We believe the remaining useful life we assign to these patents, approximately 10.25 years as of September 30, 2014, are reasonable. We periodically review our patents to determine whether any such cost have been impaired and are no longer being used. To the extent we are no longer using certain patents, the associated costs will be written off at that time.

Significant Accounting Policies and Estimates

There have been no material developments or changes to the significant accounting policies discussed in our 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K or accounting pronouncements issued or adopted, except as described below.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, as part of its ongoing efforts to assist in the convergence of U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”), the FASB issued Accounting Standard Update (“ASU”) 2014-09, “Revenue from Contracts with Customers.” The new guidance sets forth a new five-step revenue recognition model which replaces the prior revenue recognition guidance in its entirety and is intended to eliminate numerous industry-specific pieces of revenue recognition guidance that have historically existed in U.S. GAAP. The underlying principle of the new standard is that a business or other organization will recognize revenue to depict the

transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects what it expects in exchange for the goods or services. The standard also requires more detailed disclosures and provides additional guidance for transactions that were not addressed completely in the prior accounting guidance. The ASU provides alternative methods of initial adoption and is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2016. We are currently evaluating the impact that this standard will have on our consolidated financial statements.

In June 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-12, "Compensation – Stock Compensation: Accounting for Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could be Achieved After a Requisite Service Period" ("ASU 2014-12") Companies commonly issue share-based payment awards that require a specific performance target to be achieved in order for employees to become eligible to vest in the awards. ASU 2014-12 requires that a performance target that affects vesting and that could be achieved after the requisite service period should be treated as a performance condition. The performance target should not be reflected in estimating the grant date fair value of the award. Compensation cost should be recognized in the period in which it becomes probable that the performance target will be achieved. ASU 2014-12 will be effective for the Company's fiscal years beginning fiscal 2016 and interim reporting periods within that year, using either the retrospective or prospective transition method. Early adoption is permitted. We are currently evaluating the effect of the adoption of this guidance on the condensed consolidated financial statements.

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-15, "Presentation of Financial Statements – Going Concern: Disclosure of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern" ("ASU 2014-15"), to provide guidance on management's responsibility in evaluating whether there is substantial doubt about a company's ability to continue as a going concern and to provide related footnote disclosures. ASU 2014-15 is effective for the annual period ending after December 15, 2016, and for annual periods and interim periods thereafter. Since ASU 2014-15 only impacts financial statement disclosure requirements regarding whether there is substantial doubt about an entity's ability to continue as a going concern, we do not expect its adoption to have an impact on our consolidated financial statements.

3. Discontinued Operations

On September 10, 2010, we announced that we were exiting the solar panel installation business and we were expanding our distribution business to include sales of our Andalay Solar Power Systems directly to dealers in California. The exit from the installation business was essentially completed by the end of 2010. The assets and liabilities of discontinued operations are presented separately under the captions "Assets of discontinued operations," "Liabilities of discontinued operations" and "Long-term liabilities of discontinued operations," respectively, in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, and consist of the following:

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Assets of discontinued operations:		
Security deposit – escrow account for installation jobs	\$200,000	\$200,000
Total assets of discontinued operations	\$200,000	\$200,000
Liabilities of discontinued operations:	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Accrued warranty	\$912,775	\$967,928
Total current liabilities	\$912,775	\$967,928

We entered into a Supply and Warranty Agreement and Master Assignment Agreement with Real Goods Solar, Inc. (“Real Goods”), pursuant to which Real Goods has agreed to perform certain warranty work. The terms of the agreement provide that an escrow account be established as a source of funds from which to satisfy our obligation to pay Real Goods for its fees and reimburse it for its expenses for this warranty work. In March 2011, we entered into an Escrow Agreement with Real Goods and deposited \$200,000 into an escrow account. The amount is reflected in long-term assets of discontinued operations in the balance sheet. The escrow deposit will be released to us in the amount of \$40,000, or one-fifth of the remaining escrow funds, per year after each of the fifth through the ninth anniversary of the escrow agreement.

4. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists of the following:

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Trade accounts	\$157,388	\$575,375
Less: Allowance for bad debts	(7,391)	(2,899)
Less: Allowance for returns	(9,699)	(4,953)
	\$140,298	\$567,523

The following table summarizes the allowance for doubtful accounts as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013:

	Balance at Beginning of Period	Provisions, net	Write-Off/ Recovery	Balance at End of Period
Nine months ended September 30, 2014	\$2,899	\$4,492	\$—	\$7,391
Year ended December 31, 2013	\$108,750	\$92,224	\$(198,325)	\$2,899

5. Inventory

Inventory consists of the following:

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Finished goods	\$593,255	\$654,970
Work in process	31,615	131,666
	\$624,870	\$786,636

Included in inventory as of December 31, 2013, is a \$5,000 credit related to a pricing adjustment from a supply agreement.

Inventory is stated at the lower of cost (on an average basis) or market value. We determine cost based on our weighted-average purchase price and include both the costs of acquisition and the shipping costs in our inventory. We regularly review the cost of inventory against its estimated market value and record a lower of cost or market write-down to cost of goods sold, if any inventory has a cost in excess of estimated market value.

6. Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment, net consist of the following:

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Office equipment	\$436,051	\$436,051
Leasehold improvements	123,278	123,278
Vehicles	17,992	17,992
	577,321	577,321
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(574,758)	(563,467)
	\$2,563	\$13,854

Depreciation expense for the three months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 was approximately \$3,000 and \$8,000, respectively. Depreciation expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 was approximately \$11,000 and \$28,000, respectively.

7. Accrued Liabilities

Accrued liabilities consist of the following:

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Accrued salaries, wages, benefits and bonus	\$39,988	\$45,456
Sales tax payable	—	4,409
Accrued accounting and legal fees	16,050	—
Customer deposit payable	8,500	580
Accrued interest	2,436	6,288
Other accrued liabilities	7,983	32,997
	\$74,957	\$89,730

8. Convertible Notes Payable and Credit Facility

Convertible Notes Payable

On August 30, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures August 29, 2015 (the "Convertible Note"). Subsequently, on November 25, 2013 and December 19, 2013, we entered into additional securities purchase agreements with the same institutional accredited investors relating the sale and issuance of convertible notes in the principal amount of \$200,000 and \$250,000, respectively, which mature on November 25, 2015 and December 19, 2015. On January 27, 2014, we issued a convertible note in the principal amount of \$100,000 that matures January 27, 2016 under the Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with an accredited investor on December 19, 2013. In connection with the issuance of the December 19, 2013 convertible note, we also

issued 6,250,000 warrants to purchase shares of our common stock at a price of \$0.02 per share. On February 25, 2014, we entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement with the same accredited investor related to the sale and issuance of a convertible note in the principal amount of \$200,000 that matures February 25, 2016. In connection with the issuance of the February 25, 2014 convertible note, we issued 5,000,000 warrants to purchase shares of our common stock at a price of \$0.02 per share. On March 18, 2014, we issued a convertible note in the principal amount of \$300,000 that matures March 18, 2016 under the Securities Purchase Agreement we entered into with an accredited investor on February 25, 2014. In connection with the issuance of the March 18, 2013 convertible note, we also issued 7,500,000 warrants to purchase shares of our common stock at a price of \$0.02 per share. Each of the Convertible Notes bear interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, are payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. Subject to our fulfilling certain conditions, including beneficial ownership limits, the convertible notes are subject to a mandatory conversion if the closing price of our common stock for any 20 consecutive days commencing six months after the issue date of the convertible notes equal or exceeds \$0.04. Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible notes can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion.

We have the option of repaying the outstanding principal amount of the convertible notes, in whole or in part, by paying the purchaser a sum of money equal to one hundred and twenty percent (120%) of the principal together with accrued but unpaid interest upon 30 days notice, subject to certain beneficial ownership limits. For so long as we have any obligation under the convertible notes, we have agreed to certain restrictions regarding, among other things, incurrence of additional debt, liens, amendments to charter documents, repurchase of stock, payment of cash dividends, affiliated transactions. We are also prohibited from entering into certain variable priced agreements until the convertible notes are repaid in full.

Because of certain down-round protection in the conversion rate of the convertible notes, we determined that the derivative liability related to the embedded conversion feature met the criteria for bifurcation. Accordingly, we recognized an aggregate liability of approximately \$123,000 on the three issuance dates during the nine months ended September 30, 2014. This was in addition to the carrying value of the derivative liability on three previously recorded derivatives of approximately \$178,000. The derivative liability is carried at fair value with changes in the fair value reflected in the "Adjustment to the fair value of embedded derivatives" line item of our condensed consolidated statements of operations. We recognized a non-cash benefit for the three months ended September 30, 2014 of approximately \$49,000 and a non-cash benefit for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 of approximately \$32,000 on a total of six convertible notes.

In addition, the relative fair value of the warrants issued in the December 2013 convertible note issuance of \$250,000, were allocated to additional paid-in capital. Such value was determined assuming volatility of 149.1%, a risk free interest rate of 0.7% and an expected term of 4.1 years. The resulting debt discount from the derivative liability and warrant issuance of \$109,000 is being accreted to interest using the effective interest method. The relative fair value of the warrants issued in the February 2014 convertible note issuance of \$200,000, were allocated to additional paid-in capital. Such value was determined assuming volatility of 169.1, a risk free interest rate of 0.7% and an expected term of 4.1 years. The resulting debt discount from the derivative liability and warrant issuance of \$101,000 is being accreted to interest using the effective interest method. The relative fair value of the warrants issued in the March 2014 convertible note issuance of \$300,000, were allocated to additional paid-in capital. Such value was determined assuming volatility of 168.8%, a risk free interest rate of 0.8% and an expected term of 4.1 years. The resulting debt discount from the derivative liability and warrant issuance of \$154,000 is being accreted to interest using the effective interest method.

On November 1 and December 1, 2013, and on January 1, February 1 and March 1, 2014, we issued convertible notes to our financial advisory firm in the principal amount of \$30,000 each for a total of \$150,000, which mature on October 31, November 30 and December 31, 2014, and on January 31 and February 28, 2015, respectively. On April 1, May 1 and June 1, 2014, we issued convertible notes to our financial advisory firm in the principal amount of \$20,000 each, for a total of \$60,000, which mature on March 31, April 30 and May 31, 2015, respectively. On July 1, 2014, we issued convertible notes to our financial advisory firm in the principal amount of \$10,000, which matures on June 15, 2015. Each of the Convertible Notes bear interest at the rate of 8% per annum compounded annually, are payable at maturity and the principal and interest outstanding under the convertible notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02. Unless waived in writing by the purchaser, no conversion of the convertible notes can be effected to the extent that as a result of such conversion the purchaser would beneficially own more than 9.99% in the aggregate of our issued and outstanding common stock immediately after giving effect to the issuance of common stock upon conversion. As of September 30, 2014, convertible notes in the principal amount of \$460,000, along with accrued interest of \$27,153, were converted into 24,496,404 shares of our common stock.

F - 36

Below is a table showing the convertible notes payable, the embedded conversion feature and fair value of the warrants as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013:

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Convertible notes payable cash proceeds	\$940,000	\$650,000
Convertible notes payable issued for financial advisory services	70,000	60,000
Less: Derivative liability	(250,615)	(243,889)
Less: Relative fair value of warrants	(200,795)	(53,623)
Accreted interest	106,286	21,889
Accrued interest	50,322	7,707
Convertible notes payable, net	715,198	442,084
Less current portion	(70,000)	(60,000)
	\$645,198	\$382,084

Line of Credit

On September 30, 2013, we entered into a loan and security agreement with Alpha Capital Anstalt and Collateral Services, LLC (“Alpha Capital” or “the lender”) to provide financing, on a discretionary basis, for one year, against our accounts receivable and inventory. The maximum amount that can be borrowed under the Agreement is \$500,000. We have the right to borrow up to 80% of our eligible accounts receivable, not in excess of \$200,000, 50% of the value of our raw materials in inventory, 65% of our finished goods inventory and 95% of cash, but not in the aggregate amount in excess of \$300,000. The advances are secured by a lien on all of our assets. All advances under the agreement bear interest at a per annum rate of 12% and monthly interest shall be a minimum of \$500. At the time of initial funding we paid a loan fee of 50 shares of our Series D Preferred Shares to the lender, in addition to other payments for legal fees. In addition, we paid the collateral agent an initial fee of \$5,000 and have agreed to pay an administrative fee to the collateral agent of 0.5% per month of the daily balance during the preceding month or \$500 whichever is less. In the event that of a prepayment, we are obligated to pay a prepayment fee in an amount equal to one-half of one percent (0.5%) of \$500,000. On September 30, 2013, we requested and received an initial borrowing under the Agreement totaling \$350,000. Subsequently, on October 21, 2013, we requested and received an additional \$100,000 and on November 20, 2013, we requested and received an additional \$50,000. As of September 30, 2014, the balance outstanding under our line of credit was \$500,000. The Loan and Security Agreement was amended to provide for an extension of the expiration date from September 30, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

9. Stockholders’ Deficit

We have 501,000,000 shares of capital stock authorized under our certificate of incorporation, consisting of 500,000,000 shares of common stock and 1,000,000 shares of preferred stock. As of September 30, 2014, we have authorized (i) 2,000 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, (ii) 4,000 shares of Series B 4% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, (iii) 1,175 shares of our Series C 8% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001, and (iv) 1,180 shares of our Series D 8% Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001. All preferred stock has been converted or cancelled and none remain outstanding

On March 11, 2014, we filed a Registration Statement on Form S-1/A to register 35 million shares of common stock related to our Equity Purchase Agreement with Southridge and on March 21, 2014, the Securities and Exchange Commission declared the Registration Statement effective. On March 26, 2014, we submitted an initial take-down request of \$300,000 to Southridge pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement of which partial proceeds of \$100,000 was received on March 31, 2014 and \$200,000 on April 16, 2014. On April 17, 2014, we issued 8,079,800 shares of our common stock in a Section 3(a) (10) proceeding that generated proceeds in the amount of

\$250,000 in full settlement of a claim (see Note 17. Commitments and Contingencies). On June 4, 2014, June 18, 2014 and July 8, 2014, we submitted additional take-down requests for \$100,000, \$100,000 and \$125,000, respectively, pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement. We issued a total of 31,760,578 shares of our common stock at an average price of \$0.02 per share pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement. We have approximately 3.2 million shares remaining under our effective Form S-1 and available pursuant to the terms of our Equity Purchase Agreement following our take-downs through August 11, 2014.

Pursuant to the terms of our Equity Purchase Agreement, a placement fee of 1 million shares of unregistered common stock was due to Southridge pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement. As of March 31, 2014, we issued 500,000 shares of unregistered common stock due upon the declaration of effectiveness of our Form S-1/A by the Securities and Exchange Commission of our Form S-1/A. In April 2014, we issued the remaining 500,000 shares of unregistered common stock to Southridge upon the completion of our initial take-down request under the Equity Purchase Agreement. The sales of the above securities were deemed to be exempt from registration under the Securities Act in reliance upon Section 4(a) (2) of the Securities Act as transactions by an issuer not involving any public offering. The recipients of the securities in each of these transactions represented their intentions to acquire the securities for investment only and not with a view to or for sale in connection with any distribution thereof, and appropriate legends were placed upon the stock certificates issued in these transactions.

10. Convertible Redeemable Preferred Stock and Preferred Deemed Dividend

On October 18, 2012, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of up to 1,245 shares of our newly created Series C Preferred Stock, for aggregate proceeds of up to \$1,245,000. At the initial closing, we sold and issued 750 shares of Series C Preferred, for initial aggregate proceeds of \$750,000. On November 2, 2012, we provided to the purchasers of our Series C Preferred Stock a draw down notice under the Purchase Agreement. As a result of the draw down, we sold an aggregate of 350 additional shares of our Series C Preferred to the purchasers for aggregate proceeds of \$350,000. Based on the closing price of our common stock as reported on the OTCQB Marketplace (OTCQB) on November 2, 2012 (which was \$0.08 per share), the 350 shares of Series C Preferred issued pursuant to the draw down was convertible into 4,375,000 shares of our common stock. As a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.155 to \$0.08 per share on the total 750 shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at November 2, 2012, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized a preferred deemed dividend of \$363,000.

On January 24, 2013, we provided to the purchasers of our Series C Preferred Stock a draw down notice under the purchase agreement. The purchasers agreed to accept the new draw down notice and thereby extend our right to exercise a “put” to sell additional Series C Preferred beyond the securities purchase agreement’s prior expiration date of December 31, 2012. As a result of the draw down, we sold an aggregate of 75 additional shares of Series C Preferred to the purchasers for aggregate proceeds of \$75,000. Based on the closing price of our common stock as reported on the OTCQB Marketplace on January 24, 2013 (which was \$0.05 per share), the 75 shares of Series C Preferred to be issued pursuant to the draw down would be convertible into 1,500,000 shares of our common stock. As a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.08 to \$0.05 per share on the total 720 shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding at January 24, 2013, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized additional preferred deemed dividends of \$270,000.

As a result of the January 24, 2013 draw down notice, the conversion price of the Series C Preferred issued under the initial closing was reduced from \$0.08 per share of common stock to become equal to \$0.05. As a result of the May 13, 2013 draw down notice, the conversion price of the Series C Preferred was further reduced from \$0.05 per share of common stock to \$0.03 per share. As a result of our August 30, 2013 financing, the conversion price of the Series C Preferred was further reduced from \$0.03 per share of common stock to \$0.02 per share.

On February 15, 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with an institutional accredited investor relating to the sale and issuance of up to 1,180 shares of our newly created Series D Preferred Stock at a price per share equal to the stated value, which is \$1,000 per share, for aggregate proceeds of up to \$1,000,000. At the initial closing, concurrent with entering the agreement, we issued 150 shares of Series D Preferred, for initial aggregate proceeds of \$150,000. After the initial closing, the securities purchase agreement permits the purchaser to exercise a “call” right to purchase additional Series D Preferred in multiple draw downs from time to time until December 31, 2013, subject to certain limits, terms and conditions. In March 2013, the Company and investors entered into a letter agreement to the securities purchase agreement dated as of February 15, 2013, modifying the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock to be issued upon settlement of any purchaser draw downs made on or after March 18, 2013, equal to the purchaser investment amount divided by the stated value multiplied by a number agreed upon by the Company and the purchaser, which shall not be higher than \$1.67. Subsequently, on March 21, 2013, we issued 167 shares of Series D Preferred for aggregate proceeds of \$100,000. On May 13, 2013, the Company and investors entered into a letter agreement amendment to the securities purchase agreement dated as of February 15, 2013, modifying the number of shares of Series D Preferred Stock that may be issued upon draw downs made on or after May 13, 2013, equal to the purchaser investment amount divided by the stated value multiplied by a number agreed upon by the Company and the purchaser, which shall not be higher than \$3.34. The corresponding conversion price

into underlying shares of our common stock was \$0.03 per share. On May 13, 2013, we issued 583 shares of Series D Preferred to an investor for aggregate proceeds of \$175,000. As a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.05 to \$0.03 per share on the total 260 shares of Series C Preferred Stock issued and outstanding as of May 13, 2013, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized additional preferred deemed dividends of \$104,000. On August 30, 2013, we entered into an agreement to sell \$200,000 in convertible notes. As a result of the sale of these convertible notes and as a result of the contingent conversion feature on the Series C Preferred and Series D Preferred, which reduced the conversion price from \$0.03 to \$0.02 per share on the Series C and from \$0.10 to \$0.02 per share on the Series D on the total 147 shares and 930 shares, respectively, of Series C Preferred Stock and Series D Preferred Stock issued and outstanding as of August 30, 2013, and which resulted in an increase in the number of common shares issuable, we recognized additional preferred deemed dividends of \$36,000 on the Series C Preferred Stock and \$465,000 on the Series D Preferred Stock. The net loss attributable to common shareholders reflects both the net loss and the deemed dividend. As a result of the \$500,000 loan and security agreement entered into on September 30, 2013, we issued to the lender 50 shares of our Series D Preferred stock for the \$50,000 loan origination fee.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, the remaining 467 shares of Series B Preferred Stock were converted into 21,020,015 shares of common stock, the remaining 87 shares of Series C Preferred Stock were converted into 4,333,350 shares of common stock and the remaining 860 shares of Series D Preferred Stock were converted into 43,000,000 shares of common stock.

See Note 12 for a discussion of the accounting treatment of the stock warrant transactions described above.

11. Stock Option Plan and Stock Incentive Plan

On August 8, 2006, we adopted the Akeena Solar, Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan (the “Stock Plan”) pursuant to which shares of common stock are available for issuance to employees, directors and consultants under the Stock Plan as restricted stock and/or options to purchase common stock. The Stock Plan allows for issuance of up to 50,000,000 shares and there were 45,593,221 shares available for issuance under the Stock Plan as of September 30, 2014.

Restricted stock and options to purchase common stock may be issued under the Stock Plan. The restriction period on restricted stock grants generally expires at a rate of 25% per year over four years, unless decided otherwise by our Compensation Committee. Options to purchase common stock generally vest and become exercisable as to one-third of the total amount of shares subject to the option on each of the first, second and third anniversaries from the date of grant. Options to purchase common stock generally have a 5-year term.

We use the Black-Scholes-Merton Options Pricing Model (“Black-Scholes”) to estimate fair value of our employee and our non-employee director stock-based awards. Black-Scholes requires various judgmental assumptions, including estimating stock price volatility, expected option life and forfeiture rates. If we had made different assumptions, the amount of our deferred stock-based compensation, stock-based compensation expense, gross margin, net loss and net loss per share amounts could have been significantly different. We believe that we have used reasonable methodologies, approaches and assumptions to determine the fair value of our common stock, and that our deferred stock-based compensation and related amortization were recorded properly for accounting purposes. If any of the assumptions we used change significantly, stock-based compensation expense may differ materially in the future from that recorded in the current period.

We measure compensation expense for non-employee stock-based compensation under ASC 505-50, “Equity-Based Payments to Non-Employees.” The fair value of the option issued is used to measure the transaction, as this is more reliable than the fair value of the services received. The estimated fair value is measured utilizing Black-Scholes using the value of our common stock on the date that the commitment for performance by the counterparty has been reached or the counterparty’s performance is complete (generally the vesting date). The fair value of the equity instrument is charged directly to expense and additional paid-in capital.

We recognized stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$50,000 and \$107,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively, and we recognized stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$321,000 and \$240,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively, relating to compensation expense calculated based on the fair value at the time of grant for restricted stock and based on Black-Scholes for stock options granted under the Stock Plan. Stock-based compensation expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, included \$10,000 and \$160,000, respectively, related to the issuance of convertible notes for our financial advisor.

The following table sets forth a summary of restricted stock activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2014:

Number of Restricted	Weighted-Average Grant Date
-------------------------	--------------------------------

	Shares	Fair Value
Outstanding and not vested beginning balance as of January 1, 2014	1,890,952	\$ 0.05
Granted	—	\$ —
Forfeited/cancelled	—	\$ —
Released/vested	(1,883,766)	\$ 0.04
Outstanding and not vested as of September 30, 2014	7,186	\$ 2.16

Restricted stock is valued at the grant date fair value of the common stock and expensed over the requisite service period or vesting period. We estimate forfeitures when recognizing stock-based compensation expense for restricted stock, and the estimate of forfeitures is adjusted over the requisite service period should actual forfeitures differ from such estimates. As of September 30, 2014, there was approximately \$10,000 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense associated with the grants of unvested restricted stock. Stock-based compensation expense relating to these restricted shares is being recognized over a weighted-average period of 0.4 years. The total fair value of shares vested during the nine months ended

September 30, 2014 and 2013, was approximately \$43,000 and \$700, respectively. Tax benefits resulting from tax deductions in excess of the compensation cost recognized (excess tax benefits) are classified as financing cash flows on our condensed consolidated statements of cash flows. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, there were no excess tax benefits relating to restricted stock and therefore there is no impact on the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of cash flows.

The following table sets forth a summary of stock option activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2014:

	Number of Shares Subject to Option	Weighted-Average Exercise Price
Outstanding as of January 1, 2014	6,618,233	\$ 0.11
Granted	15,450,000	\$ 0.02
Forfeited/cancelled/expired	(17,500)	\$ (6.62)
Exercised	—	\$ —
Outstanding as of September 30, 2014	22,050,733	\$ 0.04
Exercisable as of September 30, 2014	2,333,983	\$ 0.21

Stock options are valued at the estimated fair value grant date or the measurement date and expensed over the requisite service period or vesting period. The weighted-average volatility was based upon the historical volatility of our common stock price. There were no stock options issued during the three and nine month period ended September 30, 2013. The fair value of stock option grants during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was estimated using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions:

	Three Months Ended September 30,			Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2014	2013		2014	2013	
Weighted-average volatility	212.8	%	—	197.6	%	—
Expected dividends	0.0	%	—	0.0	%	—
Expected life	4.5	—	—	4.2	—	—
Weighted-average risk-free interest rate	1.5	%	—	1.3	%	—

The weighted-average remaining contractual term for the stock options outstanding (vested and expected to vest) and exercisable as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, was 4.5 years and 4.7 years, respectively. The total estimated fair value of stock options vested during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 was approximately \$29,000 and \$45,000, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic value of stock options outstanding as of September 30 2014 was zero.

We estimate forfeitures when recognizing stock-based compensation expense for stock options and the estimate of forfeitures is adjusted over the requisite service period should actual forfeitures differ from such estimates. As of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, there was approximately \$341,000 and \$81,000, respectively, of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense associated with stock options granted. Stock-based compensation expense relating to these stock options is being recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.2 years. Tax benefits resulting from tax deductions in excess of the compensation cost recognized (excess tax benefits) is classified as financing cash flows on our consolidated statements of cash flows. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, there were no excess tax benefits relating to stock options and therefore there is no impact on the accompanying consolidated statements of cash flows.

12. Stock Warrants and Warrant Liability

During March 2009, in connection with an equity financing, we issued Series E Warrants to purchase 334,822 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$5.36 per share. The fair value of the warrants was estimated using Black-Scholes with the following weighted average assumptions: risk-free interest rate of 2.69%, an expected life of five years; an expected volatility factor of 112% and a dividend yield of 0.0%. The value assigned to these warrants was approximately \$1.0 million, of which \$1.0 million was reflected as common stock warrant liability with an offset to additional paid-in capital as of the offering close date. The fair value of the warrants decreased to zero as of December 31, 2013.

On December 19, 2013 and February 25, 2014, we entered into securities purchase agreements with certain institutional accredited investors relating to the sale and issuance of a (i) convertible notes in the principal amount of \$250,000, \$200,000 and \$300,000 that mature on December 19, 2015, February 25, 2016 and March 19, 2016, respectively and (ii) five- year warrants (with a cashless exercise feature under certain circumstances) to purchase 6,250,000, 5,000,000 and 7,500,000 shares, respectively, of our common

stock at an exercise price of \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances. See Note 8 for further discussion of the issuance of the convertible note.

The following table summarizes the warrant activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2014:

	Warrants for Number of Shares	Weighted-Average Exercise Price
Outstanding as of December 31, 2013	9,648,045	\$ 0.49
Issued	12,500,000	0.02
Exercised	—	—
Cancelled/expired	—	—
Outstanding as of September 30, 2014	22,148,045	\$ 0.23

The majority of our warrants outstanding are not exercisable for nine months from the date of issuance and are exercisable for either 4.5 years or 5 years thereafter. Our outstanding warrants expire on various dates between December 2014 and March 2019.

13. Earnings Per Share

On January 1, 2009, we adopted ASC 260 (formerly Financial Accounting Standards Board Staff Position (“FSP”) Emerging Issues Task Force (“EITF 03-6-1”) (“ASC 260”), Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions Are Participating Securities (the “Staff Position”), which states that unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents are considered participating securities and shall be included in the computation of net income (loss) per share pursuant to the two-class method described in ASC 260 (formerly Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (“SFAS”) No. 128), Earnings Per Share.

In accordance with the ASC 260, basic net income (loss) per share is computed by dividing net income (loss), excluding net income (loss) attributable to participating securities, by the weighted average number of shares outstanding less the weighted average unvested restricted shares outstanding. Diluted net income (loss) per share is computed by dividing net income (loss), excluding net income (loss) attributable to participating securities, by the denominator for basic net income (loss) per share and any dilutive effects of stock options, restricted stock, convertible notes and warrants.

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Basic:				
Numerator:				
Net loss	\$ (570,551)	\$ (806,259)	\$ (1,271,934)	\$ (2,235,799)
Preferred deemed dividend and preferred stock dividend	(83)	(530,284)	(18,927)	(999,813)
Less: Net loss allocated to participating securities	598	169	5,975	801
	\$ (570,036)	\$ (1,336,374)	\$ (1,284,886)	\$ (3,234,811)
Denominator:				
Weighted-average shares outstanding	240,593,277	81,763,478	189,005,946	56,716,084
Weighted-average unvested restricted shares outstanding	(251,969)	(17,106)	(874,811)	(20,317)

Edgar Filing: Andalay Solar, Inc. - Form 424B3

Denominator for basic net loss per share	240,341,308	81,746,372	188,131,135	56,695,767
Basic net loss per share attributable to common stockholders	\$ (0.00)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.06)

F - 41

The following table sets forth potential shares of common stock at the end of each period presented that are not included in the calculation of diluted net loss per share because to do so would be anti-dilutive:

	September 30, 2014	September 30, 2013
Stock options outstanding	22,050,733	268,704
Unvested restricted stock	7,186	16,889
Warrants to purchase common stock	22,148,045	3,398,045
Preferred stock convertible into common stock	—	89,353,584

14. Concentration of Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject us to credit risk are comprised of cash and cash equivalents, which are maintained at high quality financial institutions. As of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, we had no deposits in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation limit of \$250,000.

Supplier Relationships

Historically, we obtained virtually all of our solar panels from Suntech and Lightway. During 2012, because of our cash position and liquidity constraints, we were late in making payments to both of these suppliers. On March 30, 2012, pursuant to our Supply Agreement with Lightway, we issued 1,900,000 shares of our common stock to Lightway in partial payment of our past due account payable to them. At the time of issuance, the shares were valued at \$1,045,000. On May 1, 2012, Suntech filed a complaint for breach of contract, goods sold and delivered, account stated and open account against us in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Francisco. Suntech alleged that it delivered products and did not receive full payment from us. On July 31, 2012, we and Suntech entered into a settlement of this dispute. Because of our inability to make scheduled settlement payments, on March 15, 2013, Suntech entered a judgment against us in the amount of \$946,438. As of September 30, 2014, Suntech has not sought to enforce its judgment. As of September 30, 2014, we have included in accounts payable in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets a balance due to Suntech America of \$946,438. We currently have no unshipped orders from Suntech or Lightway.

In May 2013, we entered into a new supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Environmental Engineering Group Pty Ltd (“EEG”), an assembler of polycrystalline modules located in Australia. In August 2013, we began receiving product from EEG and began shipping product to customers during the third calendar quarter of 2013. In September 2013, we entered into a second supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Tianwei New Energy Co, Ltd. (“Tianwei”), a panel supplier located in China. We began receiving product from Tianwei in February 2014 and stopped as of June 2014. In July 2014, we entered into a supply agreement for assembly of our proprietary modules with Auxin Solar, Inc., a panel supplier located in the United States. We expect to begin receiving product from Auxin in the fourth quarter of 2014. Although we believe we can find alternative suppliers for solar panels manufactured to our specifications, our operations would be disrupted unless we are able to rapidly secure alternative sources of supply, our inventory and revenue could diminish significantly, causing disruption to our operations.

Customer Relationships

The relative magnitude and the mix of revenue from our largest customers have varied significantly quarter to quarter. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, six customers have accounted for significant revenues, varying by period, to our company: Smart Energy Today (“Smart Energy”), which specializes in helping home owners and business owners become more energy efficient, WDC Solar, Inc. (“WDC”), a leading construction, integration and installation of

Edgar Filing: Andalay Solar, Inc. - Form 424B3

commercial, residential and utility scale solar installations in the Washington D.C. area, JCF Wholesale (“JCF”) a provider of residential and commercial electrical services in Southern California, Sustainable Environmental Enterprises (“SEE”), a leading provider of renewable energy and development projects located in New Orleans, Louisiana, PROSOL, S.A. Total (“PROSOL”) an international solar installation company and Starwood Vacation Ownership, Inc. (“Starwood”), a leading international vacation ownership/timeshare company. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, the percentages of sales of our top six customers are as follows:

	Nine Months Ended			
	September 30,			
	2014	2013		
Smart Energy Today	13.5	%	—	
WDC Solar, Inc.	14.7	%	—	
JCF Wholesale	10.6	%	—	
Sustainable Environmental Enterprises	1.6	%	28.3	%
PROSOL S.A. Total	—		19.1	%
Starwood Vacation Ownership, Inc.,	—		12.4	%

The percentage of our gross accounts receivable for our top six customers as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, are as follows:

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	
Smart Energy Today	—	—	
WDC Solar, Inc.	60.7	—	%
JCF Wholesale	—	2.4	%
Sustainable Environmental Enterprises	—	86.7	%
PROSOL S.A. Total	—	—	
Starwood Vacation Ownership, Inc.,	—	0.2	%

We maintain reserves for potential credit losses and such losses, in the aggregate, have generally not exceeded management's estimates. Our top three vendors accounted for approximately 31% and 41% of purchases as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. As of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, accounts payable included amounts owed to our top three suppliers of approximately \$959,000 and \$1.1 million, respectively.

15. Fair Value Measurement

We use a fair-value approach to value certain assets and liabilities. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. As such, fair value is a market-based measurement that should be determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. We use a fair value hierarchy, which distinguishes between assumptions based on market data (observable inputs) and an entity's own assumptions (unobservable inputs). The hierarchy consists of three levels:

- Level one — Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level two — Inputs other than level one inputs that are either directly or indirectly observable; and
- Level three — Unobservable inputs developed using estimates and assumptions, which are developed by the reporting entity and reflect those assumptions that a market participant would use.

Determining which category an asset or liability falls within the hierarchy requires significant judgment. We evaluate our hierarchy disclosures each quarter. Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized as follows:

Liabilities	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	September 30, 2014
Fair value of derivative liability – embedded conversion feature	\$—	\$—	\$165,901	\$165,901
Total	\$—	\$—	\$165,901	\$165,901

Liabilities	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	December 31, 2013
Fair value of derivative liability – embedded conversion feature	\$—	\$—	\$177,927	\$177,927

Total	\$—	\$—	\$177,927	\$177,927
-------	-----	-----	-----------	-----------

On August 30, 2013, November 25, 2013, December 19, 2013, January 27, 2014, February 25, 2014, and March 18, 2014 we entered into securities purchase agreements relating to the sale and issuance of convertible notes in the principal amounts of \$200,000, \$200,000, \$250,000, \$100,000, \$200,000 and \$300,000. Each of the Convertible Notes are convertible into shares of our common stock, at any time after issuance, at the option of the purchaser, at a conversion price equal to \$0.02 per share, subject to adjustment upon the happening of certain events, including stock dividends, stock splits and the issuance of common stock equivalents at a price below the conversion price. Subject to our fulfilling certain conditions, including beneficial ownership limits, the convertible notes are subject to a mandatory conversion if the closing price of our common stock for any 20 consecutive days commencing six months after the issue date of the convertible notes equal or exceeds \$0.04 per share. The terms of the convertible notes meet the criteria for the bifurcation of an embedded derivative. Therefore, we recorded the fair value of the embedded derivative liability as of the issuance date for each of the convertible notes for an aggregate fair value of \$366,519.

We use a model based on Monte Carlo simulation to value the embedded conversion feature of our notes payable that are subject to

fair value liability accounting. The determination of the fair value as of the reporting date is affected by our stock price as well as assumptions regarding a number of highly complex and subjective variables. These variables include, but are not limited to, expected stock price volatility over the term of the security and risk-free interest rate. In addition, the model uses multiple Monte Carlo simulations requiring the input of an expected life for the securities for which we have estimated and expectations of the timing and amount of future financing we may require. The fair value of the embedded conversion feature liability is revalued each balance sheet date utilizing our Monte Carlo simulation-based model computations with the decrease or increase in fair value being reported in the statement of comprehensive loss as other income or expense, respectively. The primary factors affecting the fair value of the embedded conversion feature liability are our stock price and volatility. In addition, the use of a Monte Carlo simulation-based model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, and other reasonable assumptions could provide differing results.

Our reported net loss was \$1.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. If the closing stock price of our common stock had been 10% lower, our net loss would have been approximately \$17,000 lower. If the closing stock price of our common stock had been 10% higher, our net loss would have been approximately \$22,000 higher. If our volatility assumption on September 30, 2014 had been 10% lower, our net loss would have been approximately \$22,000 lower and if our volatility assumption had been 10% higher, our net loss would have been approximately \$19,000 higher.

The following table shows the changes in Level 3 liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the nine months ended September 30, 2014:

	Derivative Liability – Embedded Conversion Feature	Total Level 3
Beginning balance – January 1, 2014	\$ 177,927	\$ 177,927
Issuances	122,630	122,630
Conversions	(102,731)	—
Total realized and unrealized gains or losses	(31,925)	(134,656)
Ending balance – September 30, 2014	\$ 165,901	\$ 165,901

16. Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes arise from timing differences resulting from income and expense items reported for financial account and tax purposes in different periods. A deferred tax asset valuation allowance is recorded when it is more likely than not that deferred tax assets will not be realized. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, there was no income tax expense or benefit for federal and state income taxes in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations due to our net loss and a valuation allowance on the resulting deferred tax asset. Our deferred tax asset has a 100% valuation allowance.

17. Commitments and Contingencies

Litigation

On February 21, 2014, ASCR filed with the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida (the “Court”) an amended complaint and demand for payment of the debt it acquired from one of our creditors. On February 26, 2014, we entered into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation with ASCR that was filed with the Court pursuant to which we agreed, subject to court approval, to issue shares of our common stock in a Section 3(a) (10) proceeding

that generate proceeds in the amount of \$250,000 in full settlement of a claim in the amount of \$1,027,705 that ASCR acquired from one Creditor (the value of the stock that we agreed to issue was two hundred and fifty percent (250%) of the discounted purchase price ASCR paid to purchase the debt from the Creditor, and approximately 25% of the original amount we owed to the Creditor), resulting in settlement of prior debt owed of \$769,148. On March 24, 2014, the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit, Leon County, Florida, approved the §3(a)(10) 1933 Act proceeding and Settlement Agreement and Stipulation and in April 2014, we issued 8,079,800 shares of common stock at an average price of \$0.031 for the full settlement of the agreement with ASCR.

On May 1, 2012, Suntech America, Inc., a Delaware corporation (“Suntech America”), filed a complaint for breach of contract, goods sold and delivered, account stated and open account against us in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of San Francisco. Suntech America alleged that it delivered products and did not receive full payment from us. On July 31, 2012, we and Suntech entered into a settlement of this dispute. Because of our inability to make scheduled settlement payments, on March 15, 2013, Suntech entered a judgment against us in the amount of \$946,438. As of September 30, 2014, Suntech has not sought to enforce its judgment. As of September 30, 2014, we have included in our condensed consolidated balance sheets a balance due to Suntech America of \$946,438.

We are also involved in other litigation from time to time in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the outcome of such proceedings will not materially affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

18. Subsequent Events

On October 23, 2014, we submitted a take-down request for approximately \$51,000 pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement. We issued a total 4,214,853 shares of our common at an average price of \$0.012 per share pursuant to the terms of the Equity Purchase Agreement. As of November 12, 2014, 2,528,912 of those shares have been sold at an average price of \$0.012 per share, resulting in total proceeds of approximately \$30,000.

Subsequent to September 30, 2014, \$150,000 in notes payable and \$9,626 in accrued interest was converted into 8,110,790 shares of common stock.

