

2018 Annual Report

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April 18, 2019

Dear Shareholders,

At Sunrun, we feel the urgency of the public's desire for a 100% renewable and resilient energy future. Our roofs have the potential to harness the sun's abundant energy through solar panels, and home batteries can store that power for when it's needed, delivering clean energy that powers our lives. A future where energy is affordable and accessible for all. Sunrun is accelerating the democratization of home solar and batteries as we lead the country toward a decentralized grid architecture, while helping combat climate change and improving lives.

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Sunrun now has delivered clean, reliable and affordable solar energy to more than 233,000 customers and created 4,400 local American jobs, and many more through our channel partners. In 2018, Sunrun reached a record of 1.6 gigawatts of cumulative solar energy deployed, which eliminated more than 3.7 million metric tons of  $CO_2$  from entering the atmosphere.



Growth in total customer base.



Growth in deployments.

### Massive Opportunity for Growth

We believe the runway for growth remains massive. While nearly 2 million American families have adopted solar, that is still only 2% of the 74 million single family homes in the U.S.<sup>2</sup> In markets like Hawaii, where the value proposition was first evident, penetration has reached 29%.

Renewable energy is a uniting force and it makes me optimistic about the future of Sunrun and the country. Recent surveys underscore the popular views: one study, commissioned by EEI, the utility industry group, found that **74% of Americans** think we should use solar "as much as possible" and **70%** agree that in the near future, we should produce **100%** of our electricity from renewable energy sources.

Another survey, from Consumer Reports, highlights an overwhelming majority of Americans support greater reliance on cleaner energy sources.

Yet only 22% think that their utility is doing a good job investing in renewables. Another study conducted by Pew Research Center in 2016 found that 89% of U.S. adults favor expanding the use of solar power. It is not surprising that governments are responding with new renewable portfolio standards and other mandates that provide strong tailwinds to our business.

Sunrun's competitive advantages are accelerating. As we continue to execute and take share we separate ourselves from the rest of the field. This means we are more attractive to large national partners like big-box retailers and homebuilders, we have supply chain advantages that we are seeing play out today with batteries, and we are engaged with utilities and grid operators to design the energy system of the future.



We should boldly scale local energy resources, and experiment with how they can complement and streamline our centralized power plants and transmission system. This will help us develop a reliable, affordable and decarbonized energy system on a timeline that supports a prosperous and sustainable future.

## Our Climate is Changing, We Need to Decarbonize

As the writer David Wallace-Wells articulates, the slowness of climate change is a fairy tale. Not only is it happening faster than expected, but extreme weather events are destroying the very electric grid we rely on. We should boldly scale local energy resources, and experiment with how they can complement and streamline our centralized power plants and transmission system. This will help us develop a reliable, affordable and decarbonized energy system on a timeline that supports a prosperous and sustainable future.

Sunrun is helping our country decarbonize through our rapidly growing customer base and pioneering work building the grid architecture of the future. Consumer preferences for clean energy they can control and rapid advancements in battery technology mean that households will increasingly get a major portion of their energy on-site.

The available market size, our leadership position, and declining costs support our 233,000+ home solar customers turning into millions, independent of regulatory structures. However there is even more opportunity for Sunrun and our country's ability to decarbonize if we advance grid architectures that incorporate the full value these assets can provide.

Therefore, we are designing our footprint of energy assets to provide ongoing value to utilities and grid operators, as well as our individual customers. Most importantly this will help us create a 100% clean energy future for Americans and a model for the rest of the world, whether or not you have solar panels on your roof.

















Demonstrating our success with these initial efforts, earlier this year Sunrun won its bid to provide 20 megawatts of energy capacity from Sunrun's Brightbox home solar and battery service to ISO New England beginning in 2022. We expect to deliver this capacity from approximately 5,000 New England customers.

Sunrun's participation in New England's capacity market is the first time in the United States that home solar and battery storage has directly participated alongside centralized power plants in a wholesale capacity market. This signals a transformational shift away from the traditional, more polluting centralized electricity model, towards a system powered by local clean energy like home solar and batteries.

While the size of the award is small compared to our large and growing customer base, it is meaningful because it suggests the future as utilities and regulators recognize the value our assets can provide to the grid. These assets can reduce the amount of investment required in centralized power plants and transmission infrastructure, saving all households money and helping us decarbonize faster.

This also represents an incremental source of recurring revenue for Sunrun, which would be upside to customer values. Our market share and geographic density will be an ongoing competitive advantage in accessing these opportunities.

By the end of 2018 we had installed nearly 5,000 Brightbox systems, our home solar and battery service offering. Brightbox provides customers with backup power, ability to manage time-of-use pricing, and offers Sunrun additional revenue streams through energy services. It also protects us against attempts by incumbents to undermine the value of residential solar.

We are seeing strong traction and expect Brightbox installations to grow by over 100% year-over-year in 2019. Financial returns are attractive and the service further differentiates Sunrun as the nation's leader. We have already launched the service in eight states and it represents over 10% of our direct business overall and more than 25% in California.

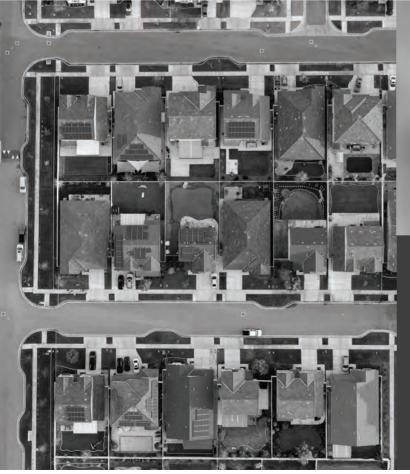


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## Making an Impact

Sunrun is a company that is committed to leading in Environmental, Societal and Governance (ESG) matters and holistically embracing sustainability. We address society's needs through the work we do and the way we run our company: by creating meaningful local jobs and equitable opportunities, contributing to healthier communities, and offering services that improve the environmental health of our planet. Our approach is to benefit everyone: our customers, our employees, and the communities in which we operate, as well as our business and financial partners.

This year we published our second annual Impact Report to discuss our approach and highlight our results. I'm proud that Sunrun has prevented 3.7 million metric tons of CO2. We've also saved households over \$300 million in electricity costs. In 2018 Sunrun also committed to and achieved 100% gender pay parity, implemented a robust supplier code of conduct, and pledged to develop 100 MWs of solar for affordable multi-family housing over the next decade.





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### Sunrun's Strong Year

In 2018, we exceeded our full-year volume, NPV margin and cash generation targets. We grew deployments over 15% in 2018. We added over 50,000 customers, growing our total customer base by 29% and closed out the year with about 233,000 customers.

Our outlook for 2019 remains bright. We expect to deliver an even stronger performance in 2019 than we did in 2018. Earlier this year we issued guidance for growth to accelerate in 2019, unit margins to expand further, and cash generation to grow by more than 50% to more than \$100 million.

We believe these strong financial and operating results can be achieved while continuing to invest in our customer experience and product leadership.

Our mission is to create a planet run by the sun. We look forward to bringing more American households an affordable, clean, reliable energy system.

Sincerely,

Lynn Jurich co-founder & Chief executive officer | Sunrun

Based on Sunrun's monthly and prepaid lease customers using (i) estimated pre-solar utility bills minus (ii) estimated post-solar utility bills and any annualized payments to Sunrun through December 31, 2018.



<sup>1 \$63</sup> million in cash generation in 2018 defined as change in consolidated total cash balance (including restricted cash) less any increases in recourse debt balances.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Current market penetration and potential homes calculation uses the U.S. Census 2016 American Community Survey data on detached, occupied single-family housing units and number of residential installations from EIA Form 826 Residential PV Customers (through November 2018).

### **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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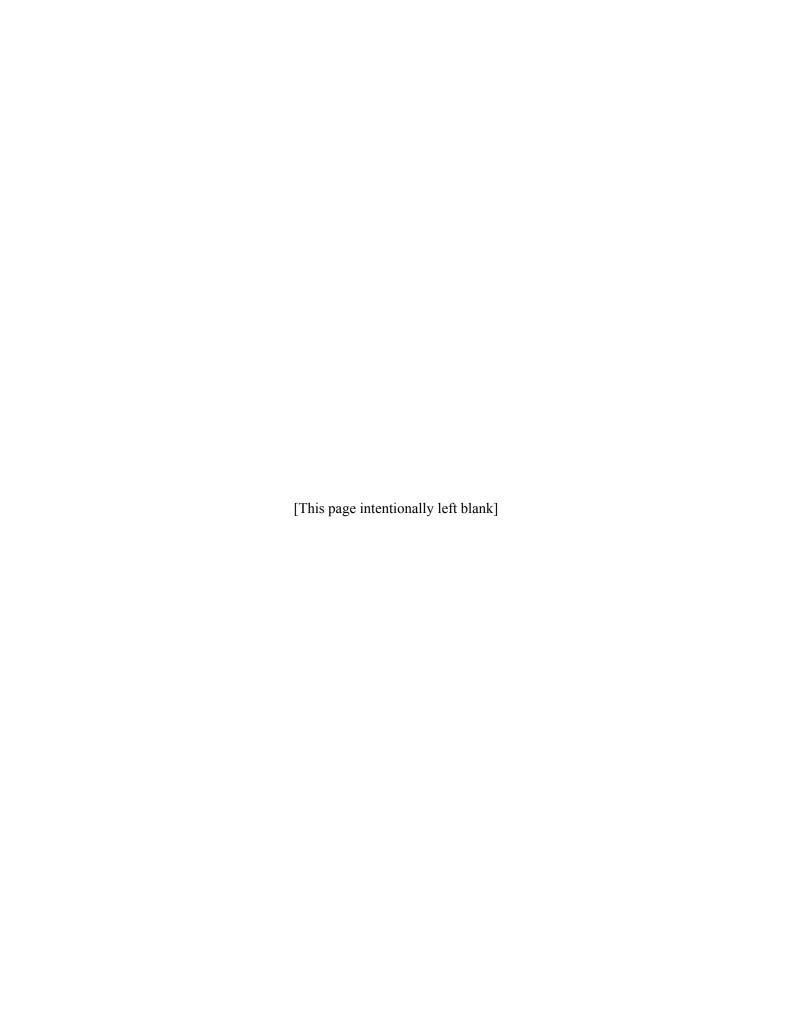
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Portions of the information called for by Part III of this Form 10-K is hereby incorporated by reference from the definitive Proxy Statements for our annual meeting of stockholders, which will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission not later than 120 days after December 31, 2018.

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the Registrant, based on the closing price of the shares of common

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#### SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS.

The discussion in this Annual Report on Form 10-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), which statements involve substantial risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements generally relate to future events or our future financial or operating performance. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements because they contain words such as "may," "will," "should," "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "could," "intends," "target," "projects," "contemplates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "potential" or "continue" or the negative of these words or other similar terms or expressions that concern our expectations, strategy, plans or intentions. Forward-looking statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K include, but are not limited to, statements about:

- the availability of rebates, tax credits and other financial incentives, and the expected decreases to the federal commercial and residential investment tax credits ("ITCs") that begin after December 31, 2019;
- determinations by the Internal Revenue Service of the fair market value of our solar energy systems;
- the retail price of utility-generated electricity or electricity from other energy sources;
- · regulatory and policy development and changes;
- our ability to manage our supply chains and distribution channels;
- our industry's, and specifically our, continued ability to manage costs (including, but not limited to, equipment costs) associated with solar service offerings;
- our strategic partnerships and expected benefits of such partnerships;
- the sufficiency of our cash, investment fund commitments and available borrowings to meet our anticipated cash needs;
- our need and ability to raise capital, refinance existing debt, and finance our operations and solar energy systems from new and existing investors;
- the potential impact of interest rates on our interest expense;
- our business plan and our ability to effectively manage our growth, including our rate of revenue growth;
- our ability to further penetrate existing markets, expand into new markets and our expectations regarding market growth (including, but not limited to, expected cancellation rates);
- our expectations concerning relationships with third parties, including the attraction, retention and continued existence of qualified solar partners;
- the impact of seasonality on our business;
- our investment in research and development and new product offerings;
- our ability to protect our intellectual property and maintain our brand;
- our expectations regarding certain performance objectives and the renewal rates and purchase value of our solar energy systems after expiration of our Customer Agreements; and
- the calculation of certain of our key financial and operating metrics and accounting policies.

These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including those described in the section titled "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Moreover, we operate in a very competitive and rapidly changing environment, and new risks emerge from time to time. It is not possible for our management to predict all risks, nor can we assess the impact of all factors on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statements we may make. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events and circumstances discussed in this Annual Report on Form 10-K may not occur and actual results could differ materially and adversely from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements.

You should not rely upon forward-looking statements as predictions of future events. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee that the future

results, levels of activity, performance or events and circumstances reflected in the forward-looking statements will be achieved or occur. Moreover, neither we nor any other person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason after the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K to conform these statements to actual results or to changes in our expectations, except as required by law.

You should read this Annual Report on Form 10-K and the documents that we reference in this Annual Report on Form 10-K and have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") as exhibits to this Annual Report on Form 10-K with the understanding that our actual future results, levels of activity, performance, and events and circumstances may be materially different from what we expect.

#### PART I

#### Item 1. Business.

#### Overview

Sunrun's (the "Company") mission is to provide homeowners with clean, affordable solar energy and storage, and a best-in-class customer experience. In 2007, we pioneered the residential solar service model, creating a low-cost solution for homeowners seeking to lower their energy bills. By removing the high initial cost and complexity of cash system sales that used to define the residential solar industry, we have fostered the industry's rapid growth and exposed an enormous market opportunity. Our relentless drive to increase the accessibility of solar energy is fueled by our enduring vision: to create a planet run by the sun.

We provide clean, solar energy typically at savings compared to traditional utility energy. Our primary customers are residential homeowners. We also offer battery storage along with solar systems to our customers in select markets and sell our services to certain commercial developers through our multi-family and new homes offerings. After inventing the residential solar service model and recognizing its enormous market potential, we have built the infrastructure and capabilities necessary to rapidly acquire and serve customers in a low-cost and scalable manner. Today, our scalable operating platform provides us with a number of unique advantages. First, we are able to drive distribution by marketing our solar service offerings through multiple channels, including our diverse partner network and direct-to-consumer operations. This multi-channel model supports broad sales and installation capabilities, which together allow us to achieve capital-efficient growth. Second, we are able to provide differentiated solutions to our customers that, combined with a great customer experience, we believe will drive meaningful margin advantages for us over the long term as we strive to create the industry's most valuable and satisfied customer base.

Our core solar service offerings are provided through our lease and power purchase agreements, which we refer to as our "Customer Agreements" and which provide homeowners with simple, predictable pricing for solar energy that is insulated from rising retail electricity prices. While homeowners have the option to purchase a solar energy system outright from us, most of our customers choose to buy solar as a service from us through our Customer Agreements without the significant upfront investment of purchasing a solar energy system. With our solar service offerings, we install solar energy systems on our customers' homes and provide them the solar power produced by those systems for typically a 20-year initial term. In certain markets, we offer a 25-year initial term service offering. In addition, we monitor, maintain and insure the system during the term of the contract. In exchange, we receive predictable cash flows from high credit quality customers and qualify for tax and other benefits. We finance portions of these tax benefits and cash flows through tax equity, non-recourse debt and project equity structures in order to fund our upfront costs, overhead and growth investments. We develop valuable customer relationships that can extend beyond this initial contract term and provide us an opportunity to offer additional services in the future, such as our home battery storage service. Since our founding, we have continued to invest in a platform of services and tools to enable large scale operations for us and our partner network -- which partners include solar integrators, sales partners, installation partners and other strategic partners. The platform includes processes and software, as well as fulfillment and acquisition of marketing leads. We believe our platform empowers new market entrants and smaller industry participants to profitably serve our large and underpenetrated market without making the significant investments in technology and infrastructure required to compete effectively against established industry players. Our platform provides the support for our multi-channel model, which drives broad customer reach and capital-efficient growth.

Delivering a differentiated customer experience is core to our strategy. We emphasize a customized solution, including a design specific to each customer's home and pricing configurations that typically drive both customer savings and value to us. We believe that our passion for engaging our customers, developing a trusted brand, and providing a customized solar service offering resonates with our customers who are accustomed to a traditional residential power market that is often overpriced and lacking in customer choice.

We have experienced substantial growth in our business and operations since our inception in 2007. As of December 31, 2018, we operated the second largest fleet of residential solar energy systems in the United States and provided our solar services to approximately 233,000 customers in 22 states, as well as the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. We have deployed an aggregate of 1,575 megawatts ("MW") as of December 31, 2018, and our Gross Earning Assets as of December 31, 2018 were approximately \$3.1 billion. Please see the section entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Key Operating Metrics" for more details on how we calculate Megawatts Deployed and Gross Earning Assets.

We also have a long track record of attracting low-cost capital from diverse sources, including tax equity and debt investors. Since inception we have raised tax equity investment funds to finance the installation of solar energy systems.

#### **Our Multi-Channel Capabilities**

Our unique, multi-channel capabilities offer consumers a compelling solar service through scalable, cost-effective and consumer-friendly channels. Homeowners can access our products through three channels: direct-to-consumer, solar partnerships and strategic partnerships.

#### **Direct-to-Consumer**

We sell solar service offerings and install solar energy systems for homeowners through our direct-to-consumer channel. These solar energy systems are offered to homeowners either under a Customer Agreement or for purchase. This channel consists of an online lead generation function, a telesales and field sales team, a direct-to-home sales force, a retail sales team and an industry-leading installation organization.

#### **Solar Partnerships**

We contract with diverse solar organizations that act as either exclusive or non-exclusive (depending on the terms of their contract with us) distributors of our solar service offerings and subcontractors for the installation of the related solar energy systems. Because of our commitment to these solar organizations and our vested interest in their success, we refer to them as our "solar partners," although the actual legal relationship is that of an independent contractor. Our solar partners include:

- Solar integrators: trained and trusted partners who originate customers for our solar service offerings and procure and install the solar energy systems on our customers' homes on our behalf as our subcontractors. Partnerships with solar integrators allow us to expand our brand, quickly enter new markets and drive capital-efficient growth. We compensate our solar integrators on a per solar energy system basis for generating Customer Agreements and the installation work they perform for us.
- Sales partners: sales and lead generation partners who provide us with high-quality leads and customers at competitive prices. We compensate our sales partners on a per customer basis for the sales and lead generation services they perform for us. All contracts are between the customer and us, based on a price set by us.
- Installation partners: trusted installation partners who procure and install a subset of our solar energy
  systems as our subcontractors and allow us to more efficiently deploy a mix of in-house and outsourced
  installation capabilities. We compensate our installation partners on a per solar energy system basis for
  the procurement of materials and installation work they perform for us. Installation partners are solely
  our subcontractors and do not enter into any agreements with our customers.

Our ability to connect specialized sales and installation firms on a single platform, which we license to our solar partners at no cost, allows us to enjoy the benefits of vertical integration without the additional fixed cost structure. This creates margin opportunities, system efficiencies and benefits from network effects in matching these ecosystem participants.

#### **Strategic Partnerships**

Our strategic partnerships encompass relationships with new market entrants not previously engaged in solar, including cable, consumer marketing, retail and specialized energy retail companies. Our strategic partners find the residential solar market attractive, but recognize that significant barriers to entry make partnerships the preferred method to reach solar customers. Through these strategic arrangements, we typically market our solar service offerings to the strategic partner's customer base and install the solar energy systems directly or through one of our solar partners. We manage the customer experience and retain the value of the economic relationship through the term of the homeowner's contract and potential renewal period. We have executed strategic partnerships in competitive processes that give us access to millions of potential customers. As our industry grows, we believe that our unique platform and deep partnership experience position us to be the partner of choice for new market entrants. We believe that these broad strategic relationships will help us drive down our customer acquisition costs and make solar accessible to even more homeowners.

The combination of direct-to-consumer, solar partnerships and strategic partnerships offers distinct advantages. The direct-to-consumer channel allows us to scale rapidly, drive incremental unit costs down over the long term, and refine operational processes to share with our partners. Our solar partnerships and strategic partnerships enable nimble market entry and exit, while allowing for capital efficient growth. Together, this multi-channel strategy supported by our open platform allows us to reach more customers with our leading solar service without compromising our ability to provide exceptional customer service.

#### **Customer Agreements**

Since we were founded in 2007, we have been providing solar energy to residential customers at prices typically below utility rates through a variety of offerings, most commonly through our leases and power purchase agreements which we refer to as our "Customer Agreements." Under our Customer Agreements, customers have the right to use and consume all electricity produced by the solar energy system, on a continuous basis. Most Customer Agreements entitle the customer to a refund for underproduction below a guaranteed amount, which we refer to as our "performance guarantee." Either directly or through a solar partner, we construct a solar energy system on a customer's home which generates electricity at set prices through Customer Agreements which typically have an initial term of 20 or 25 years. Rates for both forms of our Customer Agreements can be fixed for the duration of the contract or escalated at a pre-determined percentage annually. Upon installation, a system is interconnected to the local utility grid. The home's energy usage is provided by the solar energy system with any additional energy needs provided by the local utility. Any excess solar energy, including amounts in excess of battery storage, that is not immediately used by our customers is exported to the utility grid using a bi-directional utility net meter, and the customer generally receives a credit for this excess power from their utility to offset future usage of utility-generated energy.

Although many of our homeowners choose to pay little-to-nothing upfront and instead receive a monthly bill, some customers choose to prepay an amount upfront, thereby reducing their monthly bill. The amount of an upfront payment is customized for each customer and currently ranges from \$0 to \$10,000 for customers paying monthly. Customers may also choose to fully prepay their 20 or 25-year contracts, and the average cost of these prepaid contracts is approximately \$17,000. The prepayment amount is based on the estimated amount of the solar energy system's output over the typically 20 or 25-year term of the Customer Agreement. If the estimated production of the solar energy system is less than the actual production for a given year after the first full one to two years of the agreement, prepaid customers are refunded the difference at the end of each such year. If the solar energy system's energy production is in excess of the estimate, we allow customers to keep the excess energy at no charge. After the initial term of the Customer Agreement, customers have the option to renew their contracts for the remaining life of the solar energy system, typically at a 10% discount to then-prevailing power prices, to purchase the system from us at its fair market value, or have us remove the system.

Regardless of the type of Customer Agreement our customers choose, we operate the system and agree to monitor and maintain it in good condition at no cost to the customer. We offer an industry-leading performance guarantee to ensure that our customers are receiving the energy they expect at the price they expect. Our customers also receive up to a ten-year warranty for roof penetrations.

If a customer sells his or her home, the customer has the right to purchase the system or assign the Customer Agreement to the new homeowner, provided the new homeowner meets our credit requirements and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of the Customer Agreement. In connection with this service transfer, the customer may prepay all or a portion of the remaining payments due under the Customer Agreement to lower or eliminate the monthly rate to be paid by the new homeowner. If the customer fails to purchase the system or assign the Customer Agreement to a new homeowner, we may negotiate directly with the new homeowner to transfer the Customer Agreement (at times on modified terms) and/or look to the original customer to pay all remaining payments due. We have completed thousands of service transfers and, from inception through December 31, 2018, the aggregate expected net present value of the Customer Agreements once assigned represented approximately 100% of what it was prior to assignment.

#### Sales and Marketing

We sell our solar energy offerings through a scalable sales organization using both a direct-to-consumer approach across online, retail, mass media, digital media, canvassing, field marketing and referral channels as well as our diverse partner network. We sell to homeowners over the phone, online, in the field through canvassing and in-home sales and through our strategic retail sales partnerships. We also partner with sales-only organizations that focus on direct-to-consumer marketing and sales on our behalf, typically with a Sunrun-branded offering at point of sale, which further increases our brand and reach. We believe that a customized, homeowner-focused selling process is important before, during and after the sale of our solar services.

We train our sales team to customize their consultative presentation to the individual homeowner based on guidelines and principles outlined in our training materials. We are able to provide our sales team with real-time data and pricing tools through our proprietary technology which is designed to generate a tailored product offering with optimized pricing based on the actual characteristics of a homeowner's home, including roof characteristics and shading, as well as actual energy usage. This allows our sales team to differentially price homes in the same geographic region quickly and effectively.

#### **Supply Chain**

We purchase equipment, including solar panels, inverters and batteries from a limited number of manufacturers and suppliers. If we fail to maintain or expand our relationships with these suppliers and manufacturers, or if one or more that we rely upon to meet anticipated demand reduces or ceases production, it may be difficult to quickly identify and qualify alternatives on acceptable terms. In addition, equipment prices may increase in the coming years, or not decrease at the rates we historically have experienced, due to tariffs or other factors. As discussed in Item 1A. Risk Factors - "We have historically benefited from declining costs in our industry, and our business and financial results may be harmed not only as a result of any increases in costs associated with our solar service offerings but also any failure of these costs to continue to decline as we currently expect. If we do not reduce our cost structure in the future, our ability to continue to be profitable may be impaired." tariffs on both solar modules and inverters were imposed in 2018. While these tariffs did not have a material negative impact on our business in 2018, we believe the tariffs were a contributing factor to smaller decreases to equipment costs than we would have otherwise experienced in the year.

#### Competition

We believe that our primary competitors are the traditional utilities that supply electricity to our potential customers. We compete with these traditional utilities primarily based on price (cents per kilowatt hour), predictability of future prices (by providing pre-determined annual price escalations), the backup power capabilities of our Brightbox<sup>TM</sup> battery storage solution and the ease by which homeowners can switch to electricity generated by our solar energy systems.

We also compete with companies that are not regulated like traditional utilities but that have access to the traditional utility electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure pursuant to state and local pro-competitive and consumer choice policies and with solar companies with business models that are similar to ours. We believe that we compete favorably with these companies based on our unique multi-channel approach and differentiated customer experience.

We also face competition from purely finance-driven organizations that acquire customers and then subcontract out the installation of solar energy systems, from installation businesses that seek financing from external parties, from large construction companies and utilities and from sophisticated electrical and roofing companies.

#### **Intellectual Property**

As of December 31, 2018, we had 22 issued patents and 17 filed patent applications in the United States and foreign countries relating to a variety of aspects of our solar solutions. Our issued U.S. patents will expire 20 years from their respective filing dates, with the earliest expiring in 2029. We intend to file additional patent applications as we continue to innovate through our research and development efforts.

#### **Government Regulation**

Although we are not regulated as a public utility in the United States under applicable national, state or other local regulatory regimes where we conduct business, we compete primarily with regulated utilities. As a result, we have developed and are committed to maintaining a policy team to focus on the key regulatory and legislative issues impacting the entire industry. We believe these efforts help us better navigate local markets through relationships with key stakeholders and facilitate a deep understanding of the national and regional policy environment.

To operate our systems, we obtain interconnection permission from the applicable local primary electric utility. Depending on the size of the solar energy system and local law requirements, interconnection permission is provided by the local utility directly to us and/or our homeowners. In almost all cases, interconnection permissions are issued on the basis of a standard process that has been pre-approved by the local public utility commission or other regulatory body with jurisdiction over net metering policies. As such, no additional regulatory approvals are required once interconnection permission is given.

Our operations are subject to stringent and complex federal, state and local laws, including regulations governing the occupational health and safety of our employees and wage regulations. For example, we are subject to the requirements of the federal Occupational Safety and Health Act, as amended ("OSHA"), the U.S. Department of Transportation ("DOT"), and comparable state laws that protect and regulate employee health and safety. We endeavor to maintain compliance with applicable DOT, OSHA and other comparable government regulations. However, we have in the past experienced workplace accidents and received citations from regulators resulting in fines, as discussed in Item 1A. *Risk Factors*-"Compliance with occupational safety and health requirements and best practices can be costly, and noncompliance with such requirements may result in potentially significant monetary penalties, operational delays and adverse publicity". These incidents have not had a material impact on our business or our relations with our employees.

#### **Government Incentives**

Federal, state and local government bodies provide incentives to owners, distributors, system integrators and manufacturers of solar energy systems to promote solar energy in the form of rebates, tax credits, payments for renewable energy credits associated with renewable energy generation and exclusion of solar energy systems from property tax assessments. These incentives enable us to lower the price we charge homeowners for energy from, and to lease, our solar energy systems, helping to catalyze homeowner acceptance of solar energy as an alternative to utility-provided power.

The federal government currently offers a 30% investment tax credit ("Commercial ITC") under Section 48(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), for the installation of certain solar power facilities owned for business purposes. The depreciable basis of a solar facility is also reduced by 50% of the tax credit claimed. Similarly, the federal government currently offers a 30% investment tax credit under Section 25D of the Internal Revenue Code ("Residential ITC"), for the installation of certain solar power facilities owned by residential taxpayers, which is applicable to homeowners who purchase a solar system outright as opposed to entering into a Customer Agreement. Both the Residential ITC and the Commercial ITC will step down to 26% for solar property commencing construction in 2020, then down to 22% for solar property commencing construction in 2021. The Residential ITC will expire after 2021 and the Commercial ITC will step down to 10% for both (i) solar property commencing construction after 2021 and (ii) solar property that commenced construction during or prior to 2021 but is placed in service after 2023.

More than half of the states, and many local jurisdictions, have established property tax incentives for renewable energy systems that include exemptions, exclusions, abatements and credits. Many states also have adopted procurement requirements for renewable energy, and in 2018 the California Energy Commission and California Building Standards Commission approved a standard for newly constructed single-family and multifamily residences up to three stories tall to be solar-powered beginning in 2020. Twenty-nine states and the District of Columbia have adopted a renewable portfolio standard (and nine other states have some voluntary goal) that requires regulated utilities to procure a specified percentage of total electricity delivered in the state from eligible renewable energy sources, such as solar energy systems, by a specified date. To prove compliance with such mandates, utilities must surrender solar renewable energy credits ("SRECs") to the applicable authority. Solar energy system owners such as our investment funds often are able to sell SRECs to utilities directly or in SREC markets.

While there are numerous federal, state and local government incentives that benefit our business, some adverse interpretations or determinations of new and existing laws can have a negative impact on our business. For example, in the state of Arizona, the Arizona Department of Revenue and Arizona counties have determined that a personal property tax exemption on solar panels does not apply to solar panels that are leased (as opposed to owned), and has subjected our leased solar panels to personal property taxes. While we are challenging that determination, an adverse outcome will subject us and other solar companies to an increase in personal property taxes. If we pass this additional tax on to our customers in the form of higher prices, it could reduce or eliminate entirely any savings that these solar panels might otherwise provide to the customer. Although we are involved in ongoing litigation challenging the Arizona personal property tax determination, there can be no assurances that these litigation matters will be resolved in a manner that is favorable to us or other solar companies. If these litigation matters are not resolved favorably, it will adversely impact our operations in Arizona, and if we decide to pass the tax cost on to our customers, the price increase could adversely impact our ability to attract new customers in Arizona.

#### **Employees**

As of December 31, 2018, we had approximately 4,400 employees. We also engage independent contractors and consultants. None of our employees are covered by collective bargaining agreements. We have not experienced any work stoppages.

#### **Corporate Information**

Our principal executive offices are located at 595 Market Street, 29th Floor, San Francisco, California 94105, and our telephone number is (415) 580-6900. Our website address is www.sunrun.com. Information contained on, or that can be accessed through, our website does not constitute part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K and inclusions of our website address in this Annual Report on Form 10-K are inactive textual references only. We were formed in 2007 as a California limited liability company, and converted in 2008 into a Delaware corporation.

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#### **Available Information**

We file annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to reports filed or furnished pursuant to Sections 13(a) and 15(d) of the Exchange Act. The SEC maintains a website at www.sec.gov that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information that we file with the SEC electronically. Copies of our reports on Form 10-K, Forms 10-Q, Forms 8-K, and amendments to those reports may also be obtained, free of charge, electronically on the investor relations page on our website located at investors.sunrun.com as soon as reasonably practical after we file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC.

We also use the investor relations page on our website as a channel of distribution for important company information. Important information, including press releases, analyst presentations and financial information regarding us, as well as corporate governance information, is routinely posted and accessible on the investor relations page on our website. Information on or that can be accessed through our website is not part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and the inclusion of our website address is an inactive textual reference only.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

Investing in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties described below, together with all of the other information in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, including the section titled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements and related notes, before making a decision to invest in our common stock. The risks and uncertainties described below may not be the only ones we face. If any of the risks actually occur, our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and prospects could be materially and adversely affected. In that event, the market price of our common stock could decline, and you could lose part or all of your investment.

#### Risks Related to Our Business and Our Industry

We need to raise capital to finance the continued growth of our residential solar service business. If capital is not available to us on acceptable terms, as and when needed, our business and prospects would be materially and adversely impacted. In addition, our business is affected by general economic conditions and related uncertainties affecting markets in which we operate. Volatility in current economic conditions could adversely impact our business, including our ability to raise financing.

Our future success depends on our ability to raise capital from third parties to grow our business. To date, we have funded our business principally through low-cost tax equity investment funds. If we are unable to establish new investment funds when needed, or upon desirable terms, the growth of our solar service business would be impaired. Changes in tax law could affect our ability to establish such tax equity investment funds, impact the terms of existing or future funds, or reduce the pool of capital available for us to grow our business.

The contract terms in certain of our existing investment fund documents contain various conditions with respect to our ability to draw on financing commitments from the fund investors, including conditions that restrict our ability to draw on such commitments if an event occurs that could reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the fund or, in some instances, us. If we are not able to satisfy such conditions due to events related to our business, a specific investment fund, developments in our industry, including tax or regulatory changes, or otherwise, and as a result, we are unable to draw on existing funding commitments, we could experience a material adverse effect on our business, liquidity, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. If any of the investors that currently invest in our investment funds decide not to invest in future investment funds to finance our solar service offerings due to general market conditions, concerns about our business or prospects or any other reason, or materially change the terms under which they are willing to provide future financing, we would need to identify new investors to invest in our investment funds and our cost of capital may increase.

In addition, our business and results of operations are materially affected by conditions in the global capital markets and the economy. A general slowdown or volatility in current economic conditions, stemming from the level of U.S. national debt, currency fluctuations, unemployment rates, the availability and cost of credit, the U.S. housing market, inflation levels, interest rates, energy costs and concerns over a slowing economy, could adversely affect our business, including our ability to raise financing.

There can be no assurance that we will be able to continue to successfully access capital in a manner that supports the growth of our business. Certain sources of capital may not be available in the future, and competition for any available funding may increase. We cannot be sure that we will be able to maintain necessary levels of funding without incurring high funding costs, unfavorable changes in the terms of funding instruments or the liquidation of certain assets. If we are unable to continue to offer a competitive investment profile, we may lose access to these funds or they may only be available on less favorable terms than those provided to our competitors or currently provided to us. If we are unable to arrange new or alternative methods of financing on favorable terms, our business, liquidity, financial condition, results of operations and prospects could be materially and adversely affected.

#### Rising interest rates will adversely impact our business.

Rising interest rates may increase our cost of capital. Our future success depends on our ability to raise capital from fund investors and obtain secured lending to help finance the deployment of our solar service offerings. Part of our business strategy is to seek to reduce our cost of capital through these arrangements to improve our margins, offset future reductions in government incentives and maintain the price competitiveness of our solar service offerings. Rising interest rates may have an adverse impact on our ability to offer attractive pricing on our solar service offerings to homeowners, which could impact the sales of our solar energy offerings.

The majority of our cash flows to date have been from solar service offerings under Customer Agreements that have been monetized under various investment fund structures. One of the components of this monetization is the present value of the payment streams from homeowners who enter into these Customer Agreements. If the rate of return required by capital providers, including debt providers, rises as a result of a rise in interest rates, it will reduce the present value of the homeowner payment stream and consequently reduce the total value derived from this monetization. Any measures that we could take to mitigate the impact of rising interest rates on our ability to secure third-party financing could ultimately have an adverse impact on the value proposition that we offer homeowners.

### The solar energy industry is an emerging market that is constantly evolving and may not develop to the size or at the rate we expect.

The solar energy industry is an emerging and constantly evolving market opportunity. We believe the solar energy industry will still take several years to fully develop and mature, and we cannot be certain that the market will grow to the size or at the rate we expect. For example, we have experienced increases in cancellations of our Customer Agreements in certain geographic markets during certain periods in our operating history. Any future growth of the solar energy market and the success of our solar service offerings depend on many factors beyond our control, including recognition and acceptance of the solar service market by consumers, the pricing of alternative sources of energy, a favorable regulatory environment, the continuation of expected tax benefits and other incentives and our ability to provide our solar service offerings cost-effectively. If the markets for solar energy do not develop to the size or at the rate we expect, our business may be adversely affected.

Solar energy has yet to achieve broad market acceptance and depends in part on continued support in the form of rebates, tax credits and other incentives from federal, state and local governments. If this support diminishes, our ability to obtain external financing on acceptable terms, or at all, could be materially adversely affected. These types of funding limitations could lead to inadequate financing support for the anticipated growth in our business. Furthermore, growth in residential solar energy depends in part on macroeconomic conditions, retail prices of electricity and homeowner preferences, each of which can change quickly. Declining macroeconomic conditions, including in the job markets and residential real estate markets, could contribute to instability and uncertainty among homeowners and impact their financial wherewithal, credit scores or interest in entering into long-term contracts, even if such contracts would generate immediate and long-term savings.

Market prices of retail electricity generated by utilities or other energy sources could decline for a variety of reasons, as discussed further below. Any such declines in macroeconomic conditions or changes in homeowner preferences would adversely impact our business.

# Our ability to provide our solar service offerings to homeowners on an economically viable basis depends in part on our ability to finance these systems with fund investors who seek particular tax and other benefits.

Our solar service offerings have been eligible for federal investment tax credits ("ITCs"), U.S. Treasury grants and other tax benefits. We have relied on, and will continue to rely on, tax equity investment funds, which are financing structures that monetize a substantial portion of those benefits, in order to finance our solar service offerings. If, for any reason, we are unable to continue to monetize those benefits through these arrangements, we may be unable to provide and maintain our solar service offerings for homeowners on an economically viable basis.

The availability of this tax-advantaged financing depends upon many factors, including:

- our ability to compete with other solar energy companies for the limited number of potential fund investors, each of which has limited funds and limited appetite for the tax benefits associated with these financings;
- the state of financial and credit markets;
- changes in the legal or tax risks associated with these financings; and
- non-renewal of these incentives or decreases in the associated benefits (including the anticipated step-down of the Commercial ITC described below).

The federal government currently offers a 30% ITC (the "Commercial ITC") under Section 48(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), for the installation of certain solar power facilities owned for business purposes. The depreciable basis of a solar facility is also reduced by 50% of the tax credit claimed. Similarly, the federal government currently offers a 30% investment tax credit ("Residential ITC") for the installation of certain solar power facilities owned by residential taxpayers. The Residential ITC and the Commercial ITC will step down to 26% for solar property commencing construction in 2020, then down to 22% for solar property commencing construction in 2021 and the Commercial ITC further stepping down to 10% for both (i) solar property commencing construction after 2021 and (ii) solar property that commenced construction during or prior to 2021 but is placed in service after 2023.

Potential investors must remain satisfied that the funding structures that we offer will make the tax benefits associated with solar energy systems available to these investors, which depends on the investors' assessment of the tax law, the absence of any unfavorable interpretations of that law and the continued application of existing tax law and interpretations to our funding structures. Changes in existing law or interpretations of existing law by the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") and the courts could reduce the willingness of investors to invest in funds associated with these solar energy systems. Moreover, corporate tax rate reductions could reduce the appetite for tax benefits overall, which could reduce the pool of available funds. Additionally, certain tax deductions, such as depreciation, will have less value to investors, requiring additional cash to be paid to investors to meet return demands. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that this type of financing will continue to be available to us. New investment fund structures or other financing mechanisms may also become available, and if we are unable to take advantage of these fund structures and financing mechanisms, we may be at a competitive disadvantage. If, for any reason, we are unable to finance our solar service offerings through tax-advantaged structures or if we are unable to realize or monetize Commercial ITCs or other tax benefits, we may no longer be able to provide our solar service offerings to new homeowners on an economically viable basis, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

If the Internal Revenue Service makes determinations that the fair market value of our solar energy systems is materially lower than what we have claimed, we may have to pay significant amounts to our fund investors and our business, financial condition and prospects may be materially and adversely affected.

We and our fund investors claim the Commercial ITC or the U.S. Treasury grant in amounts based on the fair market value of our solar energy systems. We have obtained independent appraisals to determine the fair market values we report for claiming Commercial ITCs and U.S. Treasury grants. The IRS reviews these fair market values. With respect to U.S. Treasury grants, the U.S. Treasury Department reviews the reported fair market value in determining the amount initially awarded, and the IRS may also subsequently audit the fair market value and determine that amounts previously awarded constitute taxable income for U.S. federal income tax purposes. With respect to Commercial ITCs, the IRS may review the fair market value on audit and determine that the tax credits previously claimed must be reduced. If the fair market value is determined in these circumstances to be less than what we reported, we may owe our fund investors an amount equal to this difference, plus any costs and expenses associated with a challenge to that valuation. We could also be subject to tax liabilities, including interest and penalties. If the IRS further disagrees now or in the future with the amounts we reported regarding the fair market value of our solar energy systems, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and prospects. One of our investment funds has been selected for audit by the IRS. In addition, three of our investors are currently being audited by the IRS, and these investor audits involve a review of the fair market value determination of our solar energy systems. If these investor audits result in an adverse finding, we may be subject to an indemnity obligation to these investors. Since we cannot determine how the IRS will evaluate system values used in claiming ITCs, we are unable to reliably estimate the maximum potential future payments that we would have to make under this obligation as of each balance sheet date. We purchased an insurance policy in 2018 insuring us and related parties for additional taxes owed in respect of lost ITCs, gross-up costs and expenses incurred in defending the types of claims described above. However, this policy only covers certain investment

funds and has negotiated exclusions from, and limitations to, coverage and therefore may not cover us for all such lost ITC, taxes, costs and expenses.

We have historically benefited from declining costs in our industry, and our business and financial results may be harmed not only as a result of any increases in costs associated with our solar service offerings but also any failure of these costs to continue to decline as we currently expect. If we do not reduce our cost structure in the future, our ability to continue to be profitable may be impaired.

Declining costs related to raw materials, manufacturing and the sale and installation of our solar service offerings have been a key driver in the pricing of our solar service offerings and, more broadly, homeowner adoption of solar energy. While historically the prices of solar panels and raw materials have declined, the cost of solar panels and raw materials could increase in the future, and such products' availability could decrease, due to a variety of factors, including tariffs and trade barriers, export regulations, regulatory or contractual limitations, industry market requirements and changes in technology and industry standards.

For example, in the past, we and our solar partners purchased a significant portion of the solar panels used in our solar service offerings from manufacturers based in China or containing components from China. In January 2018, in response to a petition filed under Section 201 of the Trade Act of 1974, the President imposed four-year tariffs on imported solar modules and imported solar cells not assembled into other products (the "Section 201 Module Tariffs") that apply to all imports above a 2.5 gigawatts (GW) annual threshold. The Section 201 Module Tariffs were 30% in 2018, and step down 5% annually in the second, third and fourth years. In September 2018, the U.S. Trade Representative ("USTR") granted SunPower Corporation ("SunPower") an exemption, making SunPower a domestic solar panel manufacturer that is not subject to the Section 201 Module Tariffs. This could give SunPower, which offers home solar service offerings using its own panels a cost advantage over competitors like us that rely, in part, on imported solar panels that are currently subject to these tariffs.

The United States and China each imposed additional new tariffs in 2018 on various products imported from the other country. These include an additional 25% tariff on solar panels and cells that are manufactured in China and a tariff on inverters, certain batteries and other electrical equipment initially set at 10% and expected to increase to 25% in 2019. The United States also has, from time to time, announced potential tariffs on goods imported from other countries. We cannot predict what actions may ultimately be taken with respect to tariffs or trade relations between the United States and other countries, what products may be subject to such actions, or what actions may be taken by the other countries in retaliation. The tariffs described above, the adoption and expansion of trade restrictions, the occurrence of a trade war, or other governmental action related to tariffs, trade agreements or related policies has the potential to adversely impact our supply chain and access to equipment, our costs and ability to economically serve certain markets. Any such cost increases or decreases in availability could slow our growth and cause our financial results and operational metrics to suffer.

Other factors may also impact costs, such as our choice to make significant investments to drive growth in the future.

We rely on net metering and related policies to offer competitive pricing to homeowners in all of our current markets, and changes to such policies may significantly reduce demand for electricity from our solar service offerings.

As of December 31, 2018, a substantial majority of states have adopted net metering policies. Net metering policies are designed to allow homeowners to serve their own load using on-site energy generation. Electricity that is generated by a solar energy system and consumed on-site avoids a retail energy purchase from the applicable utility, and excess electricity that is exported back to the electric grid generates a retail credit within a homeowner's monthly billing period. At the end of the monthly billing period, if the homeowner has generated excess electricity within that month, the homeowner typically carries forward a credit for any excess electricity to be offset against future utility energy purchases. At the end of an annual billing period or calendar year, utilities either continue to carry forward a credit, or reconcile the homeowner's final annual or calendar year bill using different rates (including zero credit) for the exported electricity.

Utilities, their trade associations, and fossil fuel interests in the country are currently challenging net metering policies, and seeking to eliminate them, cap them, or impose charges on homeowners that have net metering. For example, in October 2015 the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission (the "Hawaii Commission") issued an order that eliminates net metering for all new customers. All existing net metering customers and customers who submitted net metering applications before October 12, 2015 are grandfathered indefinitely under the old rules. Some interim programs created by the Hawaii Commission are grandfathered for customers who applied in a timely fashion. We continue to build and service these systems.

In addition, in early 2016 we ceased new installations in Nevada in response to the elimination of net metering by the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada ("PUCN"). However, in September 2016, the PUCN issued an order grandfathering in customers under the prior net metering rules who had installed a solar energy system or had submitted a net metering application prior to December 31, 2015. Furthermore, in June 2017, the governor of Nevada signed legislation, AB 405, which restores net metering at a reduced credit and grandfathers new customers for 20 years at the net metering rate in effect at the time they apply for interconnection. As another example, in December 2016, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") issued a decision to eliminate net metering export rates for new solar customers. In May 2018, the governor of Connecticut signed legislation to end the state's existing net metering program upon the conclusion of the Residential Solar Incentive Program (currently expected in 2019) and replace it with two yet-to-be-determined rate structures.

Some states set limits on the total percentage of a utility's customers that can adopt net metering. For example, South Carolina has a net metering cap and customers within Duke Energy Carolinas' territory are expected to reach their cap on March 15, 2019. If not increased or otherwise extended, the net metering cap is also expected to be reached in South Carolina Electric & Gas' territory in 2019. New York and New Jersey currently have no net metering cap; however, these states have caps that trigger commission review of net metering policies. These policies could be subject to change in the future, and other states we serve now or in the future may adopt net metering caps. If the net metering caps in these jurisdictions are reached without an extension of net metering policies, homeowners in the future will not have access to the economic value proposition net metering provides. Our ability to sell our solar service offerings may be adversely impacted by the failure to extend existing limits to net metering or the elimination of currently existing net metering policies. The failure to adopt a net metering policy where it currently is not in place would pose a barrier to entry in those states. Additionally, the imposition of charges that only or disproportionately impact homeowners that have solar systems, or the introduction of rate designs mentioned above, would adversely impact our business.

Electric utility statutes and regulations and changes to statutes or regulations may present technical, regulatory and economic barriers to the purchase and use of our solar service offerings that may significantly reduce demand for such offerings.

Federal, state and local government statutes and regulations concerning electricity heavily influence the market for our solar service offerings. These statutes and regulations relate to electricity pricing, net metering, incentives, taxation, competition with utilities, and the interconnection of homeowner-owned and third party-owned solar energy systems to the electrical grid. These statutes and regulations are constantly evolving. Governments, often acting through state utility or public service commissions, change and adopt different rates for residential customers on a regular basis and these changes can have a negative impact on our ability to deliver savings to homeowners.

Utilities, their trade associations, and fossil fuel interests in the country, each of which has significantly greater economic and political resources than the residential solar industry, are currently challenging solar-related policies to reduce the competitiveness of residential solar energy. Any adverse changes in solar-related policies could have a negative impact on our business and prospects.

We face competition from traditional energy companies as well as solar energy companies.

The solar energy industry is highly competitive and continually evolving as participants strive to distinguish themselves within their markets and compete with large utilities. We believe that our primary competitors are the established utilities that supply energy to homeowners by traditional means. We compete with these utilities primarily based on price, predictability of price, and the ease by which homeowners can switch to electricity generated by our solar service offerings. If we cannot offer compelling value to homeowners based on these factors, then our business and revenue will not grow. Utilities generally have substantially greater financial, technical, operational and other resources than we do. As a result of their greater size, these competitors may be able to devote more resources to the research, development, promotion and sale of their products or respond more quickly to evolving industry standards and changes in market conditions than we can. Furthermore, these competitors are able to devote substantially more resources and funding to regulatory and lobbying efforts.

Utilities could also offer other value-added products or services that could help them compete with us even if the cost of electricity they offer is higher than ours. In addition, a majority of utilities' sources of electricity are non-solar, which may allow utilities to sell electricity more cheaply than we can. Moreover, regulated utilities are increasingly seeking approval to "rate-base" their own residential solar and storage businesses. Rate-basing means that utilities would receive guaranteed rates of return for their solar and storage businesses. This is already commonplace for utility scale solar projects and commercial solar projects. While few utilities to date have received regulatory permission to rate-base residential solar or storage, our competitiveness would be significantly harmed should more utilities receive such permission because we do not receive guaranteed profits for our solar service offerings.

We face competition from other residential solar service providers. Some of these competitors have a higher degree of brand name recognition, differing business and pricing strategies, and greater capital resources than we have, as well as extensive knowledge of our target markets. If we are unable to establish or maintain a consumer brand that resonates with homeowners, or competes with the pricing offered by our competitors, our sales and market share position may be adversely affected, as our growth is dependent on originating new homeowners. We may also face competitive pressure from companies who offer lower priced consumer offerings than we do.

We compete with companies that are not regulated like traditional utilities but that have access to the traditional utility electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure. These energy service companies are able to offer homeowners electricity supply-only solutions that are competitive with our solar service offerings on both price and usage of solar energy technology while avoiding the long-term agreements and physical installations that our current fund-financed business model requires. This may limit our ability to attract homeowners, particularly those who wish to avoid long-term contracts or have an aesthetic or other objection to putting solar panels on their roofs.

We face competition from purely finance-driven nonintegrated competitors that subcontract out the installation of solar energy systems, from installation businesses (including solar partners) that seek financing from external parties, from large construction companies and from electrical and roofing companies. In addition, local installers that might otherwise be viewed as potential solar partners may gain market share by being able to be the first providers in new local markets. Some of these competitors may provide energy at lower costs than we do. Finally, as declining prices for solar panels and related equipment has resulted in an increase in consumers purchasing instead of leasing solar energy systems, we face competition from companies that offer consumer loans for these solar panel purchases.

As the solar industry grows and evolves, we will continue to face existing competitors as well as new competitors who are not currently in the market (including those resulting from the consolidation of existing competitors) that achieve significant developments in alternative technologies or new products such as storage solutions, loan products or other programs related to third-party ownership. Our failure to adapt to changing market conditions, to compete successfully with existing or new competitors and to adopt new or enhanced technologies could limit our growth and have a material adverse effect on our business and prospects.

Regulations and policies related to rate design could deter potential homeowners from purchasing our solar service offerings, reduce the value of the electricity our systems produce, and reduce any savings that our homeowners could realize from our solar service offerings.

All states regulate investor-owned utility retail electricity pricing. In addition, there are numerous publicly owned utilities and electric cooperatives that establish their own retail electricity pricing through some form of regulation or internal process. These regulations and policies could deter potential homeowners from purchasing our solar service offerings. For example, some utilities in states such as Arizona and Utah have sought and secured

rate design changes that reduce credit for residential solar exports to below the retail rate and impose new charges for rooftop solar customers. Utilities in additional states may follow suit. Such rate changes can include changing rates to charge lower volume-based rates – the rates charged for kilowatt hours of electricity purchased by a residential customer – raising unavoidable fixed charges that a homeowner is subject to when they purchase solar energy from third parties, and levying charges on homeowners based on their point of maximum demand during a month (referred to as "demand charge"). For example, Arizona Public Service Company offers residential demand charge rate plans and if our solar customers have subscribed to those plans, they may not realize typical savings. These forms of rate design would adversely impact our business by reducing the value of the electricity our solar energy systems produce and reducing any savings homeowners realize by purchasing our solar service offerings. These proposals could continue or be replicated in other states. In addition to changes in general rates charged to all residential customers, utilities are increasingly seeking solar-specific charges (which may be fixed charges, capacity-based charges, or other rate charges). Any of these changes could materially reduce the demand for our offerings and could limit the number of markets in which our offerings are competitive with electricity provided by the utilities.

Our business currently depends on the availability of utility rebates, tax credits, tax exemptions and other financial incentives in addition to other tax benefits. The expiration, elimination or reduction of these rebates and incentives could adversely impact our business.

Our business depends on government policies that promote and support solar energy and enhance the economic viability of owning solar energy systems. U.S. federal, state and local governmental bodies provide incentives to owners, distributors, installers and manufacturers of solar energy systems to promote solar energy. These incentives include ITCs, as discussed above, as well as other tax credits, rebates and SRECs associated with solar energy generation. Some markets, such as New Jersey and Massachusetts, currently utilize SRECs. SRECs can be volatile and could decrease over time as the supply of SREC-producing solar energy systems installed in a particular market increases. For example, in New Jersey, because of the substantial supply of solar energy systems installed, the state was on the cusp of reaching the solar carve-out under the state's Renewable Portfolio Standard. In May 2018, the governor of New Jersey signed legislation to expand New Jersey's solar carveout to 5.1% of kilowatt hours of electricity sold in the state through 2021. We rely on these incentives to lower our cost of capital and to attract investors, all of which enable us to lower the price we charge homeowners for our solar service offerings. These incentives have had a significant impact on the development of solar energy but they could change at any time, especially in light of the recent change in administration, as further described below. These incentives may also expire on a particular date (as discussed above with respect to the ITC), end when the allocated funding is exhausted, or be reduced, terminated or repealed without notice. The financial value of certain incentives may also decrease over time.

The current administration's proposed environmental policies may create regulatory uncertainty in the solar energy industry and may lead to a reduction or removal of various clean energy programs and initiatives designed to curtail climate change. Such a reduction or removal of incentives could diminish the market for solar energy. Tax legislation known as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("Tax Act") was enacted in December 2017, reducing the corporate tax rate to 21%, and limiting interest deductibility and allowing full and immediate expensing of capital costs. A reduction in the corporate tax rate and the expensing of capital costs could diminish the capacity of potential fund investors to benefit from tax incentives, and could require additional cash to be distributed to such fund investors in lieu of tax benefits. Furthermore, the current administration has made public statements regarding overturning or modifying policies of, or regulations enacted by, the prior administration that placed limitations on coal and gas electric generation, mining and/or exploration. Any effort to overturn federal and state laws, regulations or policies that are supportive of solar energy generation or that remove costs or other limitations on other types of energy generation that compete with solar energy projects could materially and adversely affect our business.

Our business model also relies on multiple tax exemptions offered at the state and local levels. For example, solar energy systems are generally not considered in determining values for calculation of local and state real and personal property taxes as a result of applicable property tax exemptions. State and local tax exemptions can be changed by state legislatures and other regulators, and if solar energy systems were not exempt from such taxes, the property taxes payable by homeowners would be higher, which could offset any potential savings our solar service offerings could offer. Similarly, if state or local legislatures impose property taxes on third-party owners of solar systems, solar companies like us would be subject to higher costs. For example, the Arizona Department of Revenue and Arizona counties have subjected our leased solar panels to personal property taxes in that state. While we are challenging that determination, an adverse outcome will subject us and other solar companies to an increase in personal property taxes. If we pass this additional tax on to our customers in the form of higher prices, it

could reduce or eliminate entirely any savings that these solar panels might otherwise provide to the homeowner. We are involved in ongoing litigation challenging the Arizona personal property tax determination. There can be no assurances that this litigation will be resolved in a manner that is favorable to us or other solar companies. If this litigation is not resolved in a manner that is favorable to us and other solar companies, it will adversely impact our operations in Arizona. If we decide to pass the tax cost on to our customers, such price increase could adversely impact our ability to attract new customers in Arizona, and any savings that our current Arizona customers realize could be reduced or eliminated by the additional tax imposed, which will make our solar service offerings less attractive to those customers and could increase the risk of default from those customers. In addition, South Carolina counties do not currently assess property tax on customer-owned residential solar energy systems, however; third-party-owned systems are subject to business personal property taxes. In Connecticut, a number of municipalities have assessed property tax on third-party owned solar energy systems, despite an applicable exemption under state law. In general, we rely on certain state and local tax exemptions that apply to the sale of equipment, sale of power, or both. These state and local tax exemptions can be changed by the state legislature and other regulators and such a change could adversely impact our business.

We are not currently regulated as a utility under applicable laws, but we may be subject to regulation as a utility in the future or become subject to new federal and state regulations for any additional solar service offerings we may introduce in the future.

Most federal, state, and municipal laws do not currently regulate us as a utility. As a result, we are not subject to the various regulatory requirements applicable to U.S. utilities. However, any federal, state, local or other applicable regulations could place significant restrictions on our ability to operate our business and execute our business plan by prohibiting or otherwise restricting our sale of electricity. These regulatory requirements could include restricting our sale of electricity, as well as regulating the price of our solar service offerings. For example, the New York Public Service Commission recently issued an order regulating distributed energy providers as if they were energy service companies, which increases the regulatory compliance burden for us in that state. If we become subject to the same regulatory authorities as utilities in other states or if new regulatory bodies are established to oversee our business, then our operating costs could materially increase.

#### Our business depends in part on the regulatory treatment of third-party owned solar energy systems.

Our Customer Agreements are third-party ownership arrangements. Sales of electricity by third parties face regulatory challenges in some states and jurisdictions. These challenges pertain to issues such as whether third party-owned systems qualify for the same rebates, tax exemptions or other non-tax incentives available for homeowner-owned solar energy systems, whether third-party-owned systems are eligible at all for these incentives, and whether third-party-owned systems are eligible for net metering and the associated significant cost savings. Adverse regulatory treatment of third-party ownership arrangements could reduce demand for our solar service offerings, adversely impact our access to capital and cause us to increase the price we charge homeowners for energy.

Interconnection limits or circuit-level caps imposed by regulators may significantly reduce our ability to sell electricity from our solar service offerings in certain markets or slow interconnections, harming our growth rate and customer satisfaction scores.

Interconnection rules establish the circumstances in which rooftop solar will be connected to the electricity grid. Interconnection limits or circuit-level caps imposed by regulators may curb our growth in key markets. Utilities throughout the country have different rules and regulations regarding interconnection and some utilities cap or limit the amount of solar energy that can be interconnected to the grid. Our systems do not provide power to homeowners until they are interconnected to the grid.

Interconnection regulations are based on claims from utilities regarding the amount of solar electricity that can be connected to the grid without causing grid reliability issues or requiring significant grid upgrades. Although recent rulings from the Hawaii Utilities Commission have helped resolve some problems, historically, interconnection limits or circuit-level caps have slowed the pace of our installations in Hawaii. Similar interconnection limits could slow our future installations in Hawaii or other markets, harming our growth rate and customer satisfaction scores. Similarly, the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission recently required the activation of some advanced inverter functionality that may require more expensive equipment and more oversight of the operation of the solar systems over time, which could adversely affect our business.

We may be required to make payments or contribute assets to our investors upon the occurrence of certain events, including one-time reset or true-up payments or upon the exercise of a redemption option by one of our investors.

Our fund investors typically advance capital to us based on production capacity estimates. The models we use to calculate prepayments in connection with certain of our investment funds will be updated for each investment fund at a fixed date occurring after placement in service of all applicable solar energy systems or an agreed upon date (typically within the first year of the applicable term) to reflect certain specified conditions as they exist at such date including the ultimate system size of the equipment that was leased, how much it cost, and when it went into service. In some cases, these true-up models will also incorporate any changes in law, which would include any reduction in rates (and thus any reduction in the benefits of depreciation). As a result of this true-up, applicable payments are resized, and we may be obligated to refund a portion of the investor's prepayments or to contribute additional assets to the investment fund. In addition, certain of our fund investors have the right to require us to purchase their interests in the investment funds after a set period of time, generally at a price equal to the greater of a set purchase price or fair market value of the interests at the time of the repurchase. Any significant refunds, capital contributions or purchases that we may be required to make could adversely affect our liquidity or financial condition.

### A material drop in the retail price of utility-generated electricity or electricity from other sources would harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We believe that a homeowner's decision to buy solar energy from us is primarily driven by a desire to lower electricity costs. Decreases in the retail prices of electricity from utilities or other energy sources would harm our ability to offer competitive pricing and could harm our business. The price of electricity from utilities could decrease as a result of:

- the construction of a significant number of new power generation plants, including nuclear, coal, natural gas or renewable energy technologies;
- the construction of additional electric transmission and distribution lines;
- a reduction in the price of natural gas or other natural resources as a result of new drilling techniques
  or other technological developments, a relaxation of associated regulatory standards, or broader
  economic or policy developments;
- energy conservation technologies and public initiatives to reduce electricity consumption; and
- development of new energy technologies that provide less expensive energy.

A reduction in utility electricity prices would make the purchase of our solar service offerings less attractive. If the retail price of energy available from utilities were to decrease due to any of these or other reasons, we would be at a competitive disadvantage. As a result, we may be unable to attract new homeowners and our growth would be limited.

#### It is difficult to evaluate our business and prospects due to our limited operating history.

Our limited operating history, particularly as a publicly traded company, combined with the rapidly evolving and competitive nature of our industry, may not provide an adequate basis for you to evaluate our results of operations and business prospects. We cannot assure you that we will continue to be successful in generating revenue from our current solar service offerings or from any additional solar service offerings we may introduce in the future. In addition, we only have limited insight into emerging trends, such as alternative energy sources, commodity prices in the overall energy market, and legal and regulatory changes that impact the solar industry, any of which could adversely impact our business, prospects and results of operations.

#### We have incurred losses and may be unable to sustain profitability in the future.

We have incurred net losses in the past and may continue to incur net losses as we increase our spending to finance the expansion of our operations, expand our installation, engineering, administrative, sales and marketing staffs, increase spending on our brand awareness and other sales and marketing initiatives, and implement internal systems and infrastructure to support our growth. We do not know whether our revenue will grow rapidly enough to absorb these costs and our limited operating history makes it difficult to assess the extent of these expenses or

their impact on our results of operations. Our ability to sustain profitability depends on a number of factors, including but not limited to:

- growing our customer base;
- finding investors willing to invest in our investment funds on favorable terms;
- maintaining or further lowering our cost of capital;
- reducing the cost of components for our solar service offerings;
- growing and maintaining our channel partner network;
- growing our direct-to-consumer business to scale; and
- reducing our operating costs by lowering our customer acquisition costs and optimizing our design and installation processes and supply chain logistics.

Even if we do sustain profitability, we may be unable to achieve positive cash flows from operations in the future.

Our results of operations may fluctuate from quarter to quarter, which could make our future performance difficult to predict and could cause our results of operations for a particular period to fall below expectations, resulting in a decline in the price of our common stock.

Our quarterly results of operations are difficult to predict and may fluctuate significantly in the future. We have experienced seasonal and quarterly fluctuations in the past and expect these fluctuations to continue. However, given that we are operating in a rapidly changing industry, those fluctuations may be masked by our recent growth rates and thus may not be readily apparent from our historical results of operations. As such, our past quarterly results of operations may not be good indicators of likely future performance.

In addition to the other risks described in this "Risk Factors" section, as well as the factors discussed in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" section, the following factors could cause our results of operations and key performance indicators to fluctuate:

- the expiration, reduction or initiation of any governmental tax rebates, tax exemptions or incentives;
- significant fluctuations in homeowner demand for our solar service offerings or fluctuations in the geographic concentration of installations of solar energy systems;
- changes in financial markets, which could restrict our ability to access available and cost-effective financing sources;
- seasonal, environmental or weather conditions that impact sales, energy production and system installations:
- the amount and timing of operating expenses related to the maintenance and expansion of our business, operations and infrastructure;
- announcements by us or our competitors of new products or services, significant acquisitions, strategic partnerships, joint ventures or capital-raising activities or commitments;
- changes in our pricing policies or terms or those of our competitors, including utilities;
- changes in regulatory policy related to solar energy generation;
- the loss of one or more key partners or the failure of key partners to perform as anticipated;
- actual or anticipated developments in our competitors' businesses or the competitive landscape;
- actual or anticipated changes in our growth rate;
- general economic, industry and market conditions; and
- changes to our cancellation rate.

In the past, we have experienced seasonal fluctuations in sales and installations, particularly in the fourth quarter. This has been the result of decreased sales through the holiday season and weather-related installation delays. Our incentives revenue is also highly variable due to associated revenue recognition rules, as discussed in

greater detail in the section titled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." Seasonal and other factors may also contribute to variability in our sales of solar energy systems and product sales. For these or other reasons, the results of any prior quarterly or annual periods should not be relied upon as indications of our future performance. In addition, our actual revenue or key operating metrics in one or more future quarters may fall short of the expectations of investors and financial analysts. If that occurs, the trading price of our common stock could decline and you could lose part or all of your investment.

#### Our actual financial results may differ materially from any guidance we may publish from time to time.

We have in the past and may, from time to time, provide guidance regarding our future performance that represents our management's estimates as of the date such guidance is provided. Any such guidance is based upon a number of assumptions with respect to future business decisions (some of which may change) and estimates that, while presented with numerical specificity, are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies (many of which are beyond our control). Guidance is necessarily speculative in nature, and it can be expected that some or all of the assumptions that inform such guidance will not materialize or will vary significantly from actual results. Our ability to meet deployment volume, cost, net present value or any other forward-looking guidance is impacted by a number of factors including, but not limited to, the number of our solar energy systems sold versus leased, changes in installation costs, the availability of additional financing on acceptable terms, changes in the retail prices of traditional utility generated electricity, the availability of rebates, tax credits and other incentives, changes in policies and regulations including net metering and interconnection limits or caps, the availability of solar panels and other raw materials, as well as the other risks to our business that are described in this section. Accordingly, our guidance is only an estimate of what management believes is realizable as of the date such guidance is provided. Actual results may vary from such guidance and the variations may be material. Investors should also recognize that the reliability of any forecasted financial data diminishes the farther in the future that the data is forecast. In light of the foregoing, investors should not place undue reliance on our financial guidance, and should carefully consider any guidance we may publish in context.

### If we fail to manage our recent and future growth effectively, we may be unable to execute our business plan, maintain high levels of customer service or adequately address competitive challenges.

We have experienced significant growth in recent periods, and we intend to continue to expand our business within existing markets and in a number of new locations in the future. This growth has placed, and any future growth may place, a significant strain on our management, operational and financial infrastructure. In particular, we will be required to expand, train and manage our growing employee base and solar partners. Our management will also be required to maintain and expand our relationships with homeowners, suppliers and other third parties and attract new homeowners and suppliers, as well as to manage multiple geographic locations.

In addition, our current and planned operations, personnel, systems and procedures might be inadequate to support our future growth and may require us to make additional unanticipated investment in our infrastructure, including additional costs for the expansion of our employee base and our solar partners as well as marketing and branding costs. Our success and ability to further scale our business will depend, in part, on our ability to manage these changes in a cost-effective and efficient manner. If we cannot manage our growth, we may be unable to take advantage of market opportunities, execute our business strategies or respond to competitive pressures. This could also result in declines in quality or homeowner satisfaction, increased costs, difficulties in introducing new solar service offerings or other operational difficulties. Any failure to effectively manage growth could adversely impact our business and reputation.

Servicing our debt requires a significant amount of cash to comply with certain covenants and satisfy payment obligations, and we may not have sufficient cash flow from our business to pay our substantial debt and may be forced to take other actions to satisfy our obligations under our indebtedness, which may not be successful.

We have substantial amounts of debt, including the working capital facility and the non-recourse debt facilities entered into by our subsidiaries, as discussed in more detail in the section titled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements. Our ability to make scheduled payments of the principal of, to pay interest on or to refinance our indebtedness depends on our future performance, which is subject to economic, financial, competitive and other factors beyond our control. Our business may not continue to generate cash flow from operations in the future sufficient to service our debt and make necessary capital expenditures to operate our business. If we are unable to generate such cash flow, we may be required to adopt one or more alternatives, such as selling assets, restructuring debt or obtaining additional equity capital on terms that may be onerous or highly dilutive. Our ability to timely repay or otherwise refinance our indebtedness will depend on the capital markets and our financial condition at such time. We may not be able to engage in any of these activities or engage in these activities on desirable terms, which could result in a default on our debt obligations.

#### We expect to incur substantially more debt in the future, which could intensify the risks to our business.

We and our subsidiaries expect to incur additional debt in the future, subject to the restrictions contained in our debt instruments. Our existing debt arrangements restrict our ability to incur additional indebtedness, including secured indebtedness, and we may be subject to similar restrictions under the terms of future debt arrangements. These restrictions could inhibit our ability to pursue our business strategies. Increases in our existing debt obligations would further heighten the debt related risk discussed above.

Furthermore, there is no assurance that we will be able to enter into new debt instruments on acceptable terms or at all. If we were unable to satisfy financial covenants and other terms under existing or new instruments, or obtain waivers or forbearance from our lenders, or if we were unable to obtain refinancing or new financings for our working capital, equipment and other needs on acceptable terms if and when needed, our business would be adversely affected.

The production and installation of solar energy systems depends heavily on suitable meteorological and environmental conditions. If meteorological or environmental conditions are unexpectedly unfavorable, the electricity production from our solar service offerings may be below our expectations, and our ability to timely deploy new systems may be adversely impacted.

The energy produced and revenue and cash flows generated by a solar energy system depend on suitable solar and weather conditions, both of which are beyond our control. Furthermore, components of our systems, such as panels and inverters, could be damaged by severe weather or natural catastrophes, such as hailstorms, tornadoes, fires or earthquakes. In these circumstances, we generally would be obligated to bear the expense of repairing the damaged solar energy systems that we own. Sustained unfavorable weather or environmental conditions also could unexpectedly delay the installation of our solar energy systems, leading to increased expenses and decreased revenue and cash flows in the relevant periods. Extreme weather conditions, as well as the natural catastrophes that could result from such conditions, can severely impact our operations by delaying the installation of our systems, lowering sales, and causing a decrease in the output from our systems due to smoke or haze. Weather patterns could change, making it harder to predict the average annual amount of sunlight striking each location where our solar energy systems are installed. This could make our solar service offerings less economical overall or make individual systems less economical. Any of these events or conditions could harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### Our business is concentrated in certain markets, putting us at risk of region specific disruptions.

As of December 31, 2018, more than 40% of our customers were in California. Accordingly, our business and results of operations are particularly susceptible to adverse economic, regulatory, political, weather and other conditions in this market and in other markets that may become similarly concentrated, in particular the east coast, where we have seen significant growth recently. In addition, our corporate and sales headquarters are located in San Francisco, California, an area that has a heightened risk of earthquakes and nearby wildfires. We may not have adequate insurance, including business interruption insurance, to compensate us for losses that may occur from any such significant events, including damage to our solar energy systems. A significant natural disaster, such as an earthquake or wildfire, could have a material adverse impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition. In addition, acts of terrorism or malicious computer viruses could cause disruptions in our or our solar partners' businesses or the economy as a whole. To the extent that these disruptions result in delays or cancellations of installations or the deployment of our solar service offerings, our business, results of operations and financial condition would be adversely affected.

#### Loan financing developments could adversely impact our business.

The third-party ownership structure, which we bring to market through our solar service offerings, continues to be the predominant form of system ownership in the residential solar market in many states. However, with the development of new loan financing products, we have seen a modest shift from leasing to outright purchases of the solar energy system by the homeowner (i.e., a homeowner purchases the solar energy system outright instead of leasing the system from us). Continued increases in third-party loan financing products and outright purchases could result in the demand for long-term Customer Agreements to decline, which would require us to shift our product focus to respond to the market trend and could have an adverse effect on our business. In 2018, 2017 and 2016, the majority of our customers chose our solar service offerings as opposed to buying a solar energy system outright. Our financial model is impacted by the volume of homeowners who choose our solar service offerings, and an increase in the number of customers who choose to purchase solar energy systems (whether for cash or through third-party financing) may harm our business and financial results.

The federal government currently offers a 30% Residential ITC for the installation of certain solar power facilities owned by residential taxpayers. The Residential ITC is expected to ramp down from 30% to 26% for solar property commencing construction in 2020 and then further to 22% for solar property commencing construction in 2021. The Residential ITC is set to expire after 2021, while the Commercial ITC will step down to 10% for both (i) solar property commencing construction after 2021 and (ii) solar property that commenced construction during or prior to 2021 but is placed in service after 2023. Reductions in, eliminations of, or expirations of, governmental incentives such as the Residential ITC could reduce the number of customers who choose to purchase our solar energy systems.

### Our growth depends in part on the success of our relationships with third parties, including our solar partners.

A key component of our growth strategy is to develop or expand our relationships with third parties. For example, we are investing resources in establishing strategic relationships with market players across a variety of industries, including large retailers, to generate new customers. These programs may not roll out as quickly as planned or produce the results we anticipated. A significant portion of our business depends on attracting and retaining new and existing solar partners. Negotiating relationships with our solar partners, investing in due diligence efforts with potential solar partners, training such third parties and contractors, and monitoring them for compliance with our standards require significant time and resources and may present greater risks and challenges than expanding a direct sales or installation team. If we are unsuccessful in establishing or maintaining our relationships with these third parties, our ability to grow our business and address our market opportunity could be impaired. Even if we are able to establish and maintain these relationships, we may not be able to execute on our goal of leveraging these relationships to meaningfully expand our business, brand recognition and customer base. This would limit our growth potential and our opportunities to generate significant additional revenue or cash flows.

We and our solar partners depend on a limited number of suppliers of solar panels and other system components to adequately meet anticipated demand for our solar service offerings. Any shortage, delay or component price change from these suppliers, or the acquisition of any of these suppliers by a competitor, could result in sales and installation delays, cancellations and loss of market share.

We and our solar partners purchase solar panels, inverters and other system components and batteries from a limited number of suppliers, making us susceptible to quality issues, shortages and price changes. If we or our solar partners fail to develop, maintain and expand our relationships with these or other suppliers, we may be unable to adequately meet anticipated demand for our solar service offerings, or we may only be able to offer our systems at higher costs or after delays. If one or more of the suppliers that we or our solar partners rely upon to meet anticipated demand ceases or reduces production, we may be unable to quickly identify alternate suppliers or to qualify alternative products on commercially reasonable terms, and we may be unable to satisfy this demand. The acquisition of a supplier by one of our competitors could limit our access to such components and require significant redesigns of our solar energy systems or installation procedures and have a material adverse effect on our business.

In particular, there are a limited number of suppliers of inverters, which are components that convert electricity generated by solar panels into electricity that can be used to power the home. For example, once we design a system for use with a particular inverter, if that type of inverter is not readily available at an anticipated price, we may incur delays and additional expenses to redesign the system. Further, the inverters on our solar energy systems generally carry only ten year warranties. If there is an inverter equipment shortage in a year when a substantial number of inverters on our systems need to be replaced, we may not be able to replace the inverters to maintain proper system functioning or may be forced to do so at higher than anticipated prices, either of which would adversely impact our business.

There have also been periods of industry-wide shortage of key components, including solar panels, in times of rapid industry growth. For example, new or unexpected changes in rooftop fire codes or building codes may require new or different system components to satisfy compliance with such newly effective codes or regulations, which may not be readily available for distribution to us or our suppliers. The manufacturing infrastructure for some of these components has a long lead time, requires significant capital investment and relies on the continued availability of key commodity materials, potentially resulting in an inability to meet demand for these components and, as a result, could negatively impact our ability to install systems in a timely manner. Further, any decline in the exchange rate of the U.S. dollar compared to the functional currency of our component suppliers could increase our component prices. Any of these shortages, delays or price changes could limit our growth, cause cancellations or adversely affect our operating margins, and result in loss of market share and damage to our brand.

As the primary entity that contracts with homeowners, we are subject to risks associated with construction, cost overruns, delays, customer cancellations, regulatory compliance and other contingencies, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

We are a licensed contractor in certain communities that we service, and we are ultimately responsible as the contracting party for every solar energy system installation. We may be liable, either directly or through our solar partners, to homeowners for any damage we cause to them, their home, belongings or property during the installation of our systems. For example, we, either directly or through our solar partners, frequently penetrate homeowners' roofs during the installation process and may incur liability for the failure to adequately weatherproof such penetrations following the completion of construction. In addition, because the solar energy systems we or our solar partners deploy are high voltage energy systems, we may incur liability for any failure to comply with electrical standards and manufacturer recommendations.

Completing the sale and installation of a solar energy system requires many different steps including a site audit, completion of designs, permitting, installation, electrical sign-off and interconnection. Homeowners may cancel their Customer Agreement, subject to certain conditions, during this process until commencement of installation, and we have experienced increased customer cancellations in certain geographic markets during certain periods in our operating history. We or our solar partners may face customer cancellations, delays or cost overruns which may adversely affect our or our solar partners' ability to ramp up the volume of sales or installations in accordance with our plans. These cancellations, delays or overruns may be the result of a variety of factors, such as labor shortages or other labor issues, defects in materials and workmanship, adverse weather conditions, transportation constraints, construction change orders, site changes or roof conditions, geographic factors and other unforeseen difficulties, any of which could lead to increased cancellation rates, reputational harm and other

adverse effects. For example, some customer orders are cancelled after a site visit if we determine that a customer needs to make repairs to or install a new roof, or that there is excessive shading on their property. If we continue to experience increased customer cancellations, our financial results will potentially be materially and adversely affected.

In addition, the installation of solar energy systems, energy-storage systems and other energy-related products requiring building modifications are subject to oversight and regulation in accordance with national, state and local laws and ordinances relating to building, fire and electrical codes, safety, environmental protection, utility interconnection and metering, and related matters. We also rely on certain of our and our partners' employees to maintain professional licenses in many of the jurisdictions in which we operate, and our failure to employ properly licensed personnel could adversely affect our licensing status in those jurisdictions. It is difficult and costly to track the requirements of every individual authority having jurisdiction over our installations and to design solar energy systems to comply with these varying standards. Any new government regulations or utility policies pertaining to our systems may result in significant additional expenses to us and our homeowners and, as a result, could cause a significant reduction in demand for our solar service offerings.

While we have a variety of stringent quality standards that we apply in the selection of our solar partners, we do not control our suppliers and solar partners or their business practices. Accordingly, we cannot guarantee that they follow our standards or ethical business practices, such as fair wage practices and compliance with environmental, safety and other local laws. A lack of demonstrated compliance could lead us to seek alternative suppliers or contractors, which could increase our costs and result in delayed delivery or installation of our products, product shortages or other disruptions of our operations. Violation of labor or other laws by our suppliers and solar partners or the divergence of a supplier's or solar partner's labor or other practices from those generally accepted as ethical in the United States or other markets in which we do business could also attract negative publicity for us and harm our business, brand and reputation in the market.

### We typically bear the risk of loss and the cost of maintenance, repair and removal on solar energy systems that are owned or leased by our investment funds.

We typically bear the risk of loss and are generally obligated to cover the cost of maintenance, repair and removal for any solar energy system that we sell or lease to our investment funds. At the time we sell or lease a solar energy system to an investment fund, we enter into a maintenance services agreement where we agree to operate and maintain the system for a fixed fee that is calculated to cover our future expected maintenance costs. If our solar energy systems require an above-average amount of repairs or if the cost of repairing systems were higher than our estimate, we would need to perform such repairs without additional compensation. If our solar energy systems, more than 40% of which are located in California, are damaged as the result of a natural disaster beyond our control, losses could exceed or be excluded from, our insurance policy limits, and we could incur unforeseen costs that could harm our business and financial condition. We may also incur significant costs for taking other actions in preparation for, or in reaction to, such events. We purchase property insurance with industry standard coverage and limits approved by an investor's third-party insurance advisors to hedge against such risk, but such coverage may not cover our losses.

### Disruptions to our solar production metering solution could negatively impact our revenues and increase our expenses.

Our ability to monitor solar energy production for various purposes depends on the operation of our metering solution. We could incur significant expense and disruption to our operations in connection with failures of our metering solution, including meter hardware failures and failure or obsolescence of the cellular technology that we use to communicate with those meters. For example, many of our meters operate on either the 2G or 3G cellular data networks, which are expected to sunset before the term of our Customer Agreements with homeowners, and newer technologies we use today may become obsolete before the end of the term of Customer Agreements entered into now. Upgrading our metering solution may cause us to incur significant expense. Additionally, our meters communicate data through proprietary software, which we license from our metering partners. Should we be unable to continue to license, on agreeable terms, the software necessary to communicate with our meters, it could cause a significant disruption in our business and operations.

Problems with product quality or performance may cause us to incur warranty expenses and performance guarantee expenses, may lower the residual value of our solar energy systems and may damage our market reputation and cause our financial results to decline.

Homeowners who enter into Customer Agreements with us are covered by production guarantees and roof penetration warranties. As the owners of the solar energy systems, we or our investment funds receive a warranty from the inverter and solar panel manufacturers, and, for those solar energy systems that we do not install directly, we receive workmanship and material warranties as well as roof penetration warranties from our solar partners. For example, in 2015 and 2014, we had to replace a significant number of defective inverters, the cost of which was borne by the manufacturer. However, our customers were without solar service for a period of time while the work was done, which impacted customer satisfaction. Furthermore, one or more of our third-party manufacturers or solar partners could cease operations and no longer honor these warranties, leaving us to fulfill these potential obligations to homeowners. Further, we provide a performance guarantee with certain solar service offerings pursuant to which we compensate homeowners on an annual basis if their system does not meet the electricity production guarantees set forth in their agreement with us. Homeowners who enter into Customer Agreements with us are covered by production guarantees equal to the length of the term of these agreements, typically 20 or 25 years.

Because of our limited operating history, we have been required to make assumptions and apply judgments regarding a number of factors, including our anticipated rate of warranty claims and the durability, performance and reliability of our solar energy systems. Our assumptions could prove to be materially different from the actual performance of our systems, causing us to incur substantial expense to repair or replace defective solar energy systems in the future or to compensate homeowners for systems that do not meet their production guarantees. Product failures or operational deficiencies also would reduce our revenue from power purchase or lease agreements because they are dependent on system production. Any widespread product failures or operating deficiencies may damage our market reputation and adversely impact our financial results.

### Product liability claims against us could result in adverse publicity and potentially significant monetary damages.

If our solar service offerings, including our racking systems or other products, injured someone, we would be exposed to product liability claims. Because solar energy systems and many of our other current and anticipated products are electricity-producing devices, it is possible that consumers or their property could be injured or damaged by our products, whether by product malfunctions, defects, improper installation or other causes. We rely on third-party manufacturing warranties, warranties provided by our solar partners and our general liability insurance to cover product liability claims and have not obtained separate product liability insurance. Any product liability claim we face could be expensive to defend and divert management's attention. The successful assertion of product liability claims against us could result in potentially significant monetary damages that could require us to make significant payments, as well as subject us to adverse publicity, damage our reputation and competitive position and adversely affect sales of our systems and other products. In addition, product liability claims, injuries, defects or other problems experienced by other companies in the residential solar industry could lead to unfavorable market conditions to the industry as a whole, and may have an adverse effect on our ability to attract homeowners, thus affecting our growth and financial performance.

# The value of our solar energy systems at the end of the associated term of the lease or power purchase agreement may be lower than projected, which may adversely affect our financial performance and valuation.

We depreciate the costs of our solar energy systems over their estimated useful life of 35 years. At the end of the initial term of the Customer Agreement, customers may choose to purchase their solar energy systems, ask to remove the system at our cost or renew their Customer Agreements. Homeowners may choose to not renew or purchase for any reason, such as pricing, decreased energy consumption, relocation of residence or switching to a competitor product.

Furthermore, it is difficult to predict how future environmental regulations may affect the costs associated with the removal, disposal or recycling of our solar energy systems. If the value in trade or renewal revenue is less than we expect, we may be required to recognize all or some of the remaining unamortized costs. This could materially impair our future results of operations.

# Damage to our brand and reputation or failure to expand our brand would harm our business and results of operations.

We depend significantly on our brand and reputation for high-quality solar service offerings, engineering and customer service to attract homeowners and grow our business. If we fail to continue to deliver our solar service offerings within the planned timelines, if our solar service offerings do not perform as anticipated or if we damage any homeowners' properties or cancel projects, our brand and reputation could be significantly impaired. We also depend greatly on referrals from homeowners for our growth. Therefore, our inability to meet or exceed homeowners' expectations would harm our reputation and growth through referrals. We have at times focused particular attention on expeditiously growing our direct sales force and our solar partners, leading us in some instances to hire personnel or partner with third parties who we may later determine do not fit our company culture and standards. Given the sheer volume of interactions our direct sales force and our solar partners have with customers and potential customers, it is also unavoidable that some interactions will be perceived by customers and potential customers as less than satisfactory and result in complaints. If we cannot manage our hiring and training processes to limit potential issues and maintain appropriate customer service levels, our brand and reputation may be harmed and our ability to grow our business would suffer. In addition, if we were unable to achieve a similar level of brand recognition as our competitors, some of which currently have a broader brand footprint as a result of a larger direct sales force, more resources and longer operational history, we could lose recognition in the marketplace among prospective customers, suppliers and partners, which could affect our growth and financial performance. Our growth strategy involves marketing and branding initiatives that will involve incurring significant expenses in advance of corresponding revenues. We cannot assure you that such marketing and branding expenses will result in the successful expansion of our brand recognition or increase our revenues.

# A failure to hire and retain a sufficient number of employees and service providers in key functions would constrain our growth and our ability to timely complete homeowners' projects and successfully manage homeowner accounts.

To support our growth, we need to hire, train, deploy, manage and retain a substantial number of skilled employees, engineers, installers, electricians, sales and project finance specialists. Competition for qualified personnel in our industry is increasing, particularly for skilled personnel involved in the installation of solar energy systems. We may be unable to attract or retain qualified and skilled installation personnel or installation companies to be our solar partners, which would have an adverse effect on our business. We and our solar partners also compete with the homebuilding and construction industries for skilled labor. As these industries grow and seek to hire additional workers, our cost of labor may increase. The unionization of the industry's labor force could also increase our labor costs. Shortages of skilled labor could significantly delay a project or otherwise increase our costs. Because our profit on a particular installation is based in part on assumptions as to the cost of such project, cost overruns, delays or other execution issues may cause us to not achieve our expected margins or cover our costs for that project. In addition, because we are headquartered in the San Francisco Bay Area, we compete for a limited pool of technical and engineering resources that requires us to pay wages that are competitive with relatively high regional standards for employees in these fields. Further, we need to continue to expand upon the training of our customer service team to provide high-end account management and service to homeowners before, during and following the point of installation of our solar energy systems. Identifying and recruiting qualified personnel and training them requires significant time, expense and attention. It can take several months before a new customer service team member is fully trained and productive at the standards that we have established. If we are unable to hire, develop and retain talented customer service personnel, we may not be able to realize the expected benefits of this investment or grow our business.

In addition, to support the growth and success of our direct-to-consumer channel, we need to recruit, retain and motivate a large number of sales personnel on a continuing basis. We compete with many other companies for qualified sales personnel, and it could take many months before a new salesperson is fully trained on our solar service offerings. If we are unable to hire, develop and retain qualified sales personnel or if they are unable to achieve desired productivity levels, we may not be able to compete effectively.

If we or our solar partners cannot meet our hiring, retention and efficiency goals, we may be unable to complete homeowners' projects on time or manage homeowner accounts in an acceptable manner or at all. Any significant failures in this regard would materially impair our growth, reputation, business and financial results. If we are required to pay higher compensation than we anticipate, these greater expenses may also adversely impact our financial results and the growth of our business.

# The loss of one or more members of our senior management or key employees may adversely affect our ability to implement our strategy.

We depend on our experienced management team, and the loss of one or more key executives could have a negative impact on our business. In particular, we are dependent on the services of our chief executive officer and co-founder, Lynn Jurich, and our Chairman and co-founder, Edward Fenster. We also depend on our ability to retain and motivate key employees and attract qualified new employees. Neither our founders nor our key employees are bound by employment agreements for any specific term, and we may be unable to replace key members of our management team and key employees in the event we lose their services. Integrating new employees into our management team could prove disruptive to our operations, require substantial resources and management attention and ultimately prove unsuccessful. An inability to attract and retain sufficient managerial personnel who have critical industry experience and relationships could limit or delay our strategic efforts, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

# We may not realize the anticipated benefits of past or future acquisitions, and integration of these acquisitions may disrupt our business and management.

We acquired MEC in February 2014 and Clean Energy Experts, LLC ("CEE") in April 2015. We may in the future acquire additional companies, project pipelines, products, or technologies or enter into joint ventures or other strategic initiatives. We may not realize the anticipated benefits of past or future acquisitions, and any acquisition has numerous risks that are not within our control. These risks include the following, among others:

- difficulty in assimilating the operations and personnel of the acquired company, especially given our unique culture;
- difficulty in effectively integrating the acquired technologies or products with our current products and technologies;
- difficulty in maintaining controls, procedures and policies during the transition and integration;
- disruption of our ongoing business and distraction of our management and employees from other opportunities and challenges due to integration issues;
- difficulty integrating the acquired company's accounting, management information and other administrative systems;
- inability to retain key technical and managerial personnel of the acquired business;
- inability to retain key customers, vendors and other business partners of the acquired business;
- inability to achieve the financial and strategic goals for the acquired and combined businesses;
- incurring acquisition-related costs or amortization costs for acquired intangible assets that could impact our results of operations;
- significant post-acquisition investments which may lower the actual benefits realized through the acquisition;
- potential failure of the due diligence processes to identify significant issues with product quality, legal and financial liabilities, among other things;
- potential inability to assert that internal controls over financial reporting are effective; and
- potential inability to obtain, or obtain in a timely manner, approvals from governmental authorities, which could delay or prevent such acquisitions.

Our failure to address these risks, or other problems encountered in connection with our past or future acquisitions, could cause us to fail to realize the anticipated benefits of these acquisitions or investments, cause us to incur unanticipated liabilities, and harm our business generally. Future acquisitions could also result in dilutive issuances of our equity securities, the incurrence of debt, contingent liabilities, amortization expenses, incremental expenses or the write-off of goodwill, any of which could harm our financial condition or results of operations.

Mergers and acquisitions of companies are inherently risky, may not produce the anticipated benefits and could adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations.

If we are unsuccessful in developing and maintaining our proprietary technology, including our BrightPath software, our ability to attract and retain solar partners could be impaired, our competitive position could be harmed and our revenue could be reduced.

Our future growth depends on our ability to continue to develop and maintain our proprietary technology that supports our solar service offerings, including our design and proposal software, BrightPath. In addition, we rely, and expect to continue to rely, on licensing agreements with certain third parties for aerial images that allow us to efficiently and effectively analyze a homeowner's rooftop for solar energy system specifications. In the event that our current or future products require features that we have not developed or licensed, or we lose the benefit of an existing license, we will be required to develop or obtain such technology through purchase, license or other arrangements. If the required technology is not available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all, we may incur additional expenses in an effort to internally develop the required technology. In addition, our BrightPath software was developed, in part, with U.S. federal government funding. When new technologies are developed with U.S. government funding, the government obtains certain rights in any resulting patents, including a nonexclusive license authorizing the government to use the invention for non-commercial purposes. These rights may permit the government to disclose our confidential information to third parties and to exercise "march-in" rights to use or allow third parties to use our patented technology. We are also subject to certain reporting and other obligations to the U.S. government in connection with funding for BrightPath. If we were unable to maintain our existing proprietary technology, our ability to attract and retain solar partners could be impaired, our competitive position could be harmed and our revenue could be reduced.

Our business may be harmed if we fail to properly protect our intellectual property, and we may also be required to defend against claims or indemnify others against claims that our intellectual property infringes on the intellectual property rights of third parties.

We believe that the success of our business depends in part on our proprietary technology, including our software, information, processes and know-how. We rely on copyright, trade secret and patent protections to secure our intellectual property rights. Although we may incur substantial costs in protecting our technology, we cannot be certain that we have adequately protected or will be able to adequately protect it, that our competitors will not be able to utilize our existing technology or develop similar technology independently, that the claims allowed with respect to any patents held by us will be broad enough to protect our technology or that foreign intellectual property laws will adequately protect our intellectual property rights. Moreover, we cannot be certain that our patents provide us with a competitive advantage. Despite our precautions, it may be possible for third parties to obtain and use our intellectual property without our consent. Unauthorized use of our intellectual property by third parties, and the expenses incurred in protecting our intellectual property rights, may adversely affect our business. In the future, some of our products could be alleged to infringe existing patents or other intellectual property of third parties, and we cannot be certain that we will prevail in any intellectual property dispute. In addition, any future litigation required to enforce our patents, to protect our trade secrets or know-how or to defend us or indemnify others against claimed infringement of the rights of third parties could harm our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We are subject to legal proceedings, regulatory inquiries and litigation, and we may be named in additional legal proceedings, become involved in regulatory inquiries or be subject to litigation in the future, all of which are costly, distracting to our core business and could result in an unfavorable outcome, or a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations, or the trading price for our securities.

We are involved in legal proceedings and receive inquiries from government and regulatory agencies. In the event that we are involved in significant disputes or are the subject of a formal action by a regulatory agency, we could be exposed to costly and time-consuming legal proceedings that could result in any number of outcomes. Although outcomes of such actions vary, any current or future claims or regulatory actions initiated by or against us, whether successful or not, could result in significant costs, costly damage awards or settlement amounts, injunctive relief, increased costs of business, fines or orders to change certain business practices, significant dedication of management time, diversion of significant operational resources, or otherwise harm our business.

If we are not successful in our legal proceedings and litigation, we may be required to pay significant monetary damages, which could hurt our results of operations. Lawsuits are time-consuming and expensive to resolve and divert management's time and attention. Although we carry general liability insurance, our insurance may not cover potential claims or may not be adequate to indemnify us for all liability that may be imposed. We cannot predict how the courts will rule in any potential lawsuit against us. Decisions in favor of parties that bring

lawsuits against us could subject us to significant liability for damages, adversely affect our results of operations and harm our reputation.

# A failure to comply with laws and regulations relating to our interactions with current or prospective residential customers could result in negative publicity, claims, investigations, and litigation, and adversely affect our financial performance.

Our business involves transactions with homeowners. We and our solar partners must comply with numerous federal, state and local laws and regulations that govern matters relating to our interactions with homeowners, including those pertaining to privacy and data security, consumer financial and credit transactions, home improvement contracts, warranties and direct-to-home solicitation. These laws and regulations are dynamic and subject to potentially differing interpretations, and various federal, state and local legislative and regulatory bodies may expand current laws or regulations, or enact new laws and regulations, regarding these matters. Changes in these laws or regulations or their interpretation could dramatically affect how we do business, acquire customers, and manage and use information we collect from and about current and prospective customers and the costs associated therewith. We strive to comply with all applicable laws and regulations relating to our interactions with residential customers. It is possible, however, that these requirements may be interpreted and applied in a manner that is inconsistent from one jurisdiction to another and may conflict with other rules or our practices. Our noncompliance with any such laws or regulations, or the perception that we or our solar partners have violated such laws or regulations or engaged in deceptive practices that could result in a violation, could also expose us to claims, proceedings, litigation and investigations by private parties and regulatory authorities, as well as substantial fines and negative publicity, each of which may materially and adversely affect our business. We have incurred, and will continue to incur, significant expenses to comply with such laws and regulations, and increased regulation of matters relating to our interactions with residential customers could require us to modify our operations and incur significant additional expenses, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

# Compliance with occupational safety and health requirements and best practices can be costly, and noncompliance with such requirements may result in potentially significant penalties, operational delays and adverse publicity.

The installation of solar energy systems requires our employees and employees of our solar partners to work with complicated and potentially dangerous electrical systems. The evaluation and installation of our energy-related products require these employees to work in locations that may contain potentially dangerous levels of asbestos, lead or mold or other substances. We also maintain large fleets of vehicles that these employees use in the course of their work. There is substantial risk of serious injury or death if proper safety procedures are not followed. Our operations are subject to regulation under OSHA and equivalent state laws. Changes to OSHA requirements, or stricter interpretation or enforcement of existing laws or regulations, could result in increased costs. If we fail to comply with applicable OSHA regulations, even if no work-related serious injury or death occurs, we may be subject to civil or criminal enforcement and be required to pay substantial penalties, incur significant capital expenditures, or suspend or limit operations. Any accidents, citations, violations, injuries or failure to comply with industry best practices may subject us to adverse publicity, damage our reputation and competitive position and adversely affect our business.

#### We are exposed to the credit risk of homeowners and payment delinquencies on our accounts receivables.

Our Customer Agreements are typically for 20 or 25 years and require the homeowner to make monthly payments to us. Accordingly, we are subject to the credit risk of homeowners. As of December 31, 2018, the average FICO score of our customers under a lease or power purchase agreement with a monthly payment schedule remained at or above 740, which is generally categorized as a "Very Good" credit profile by the Fair Isaac Corporation. However, this may decline to the extent FICO score requirements under future investment funds are relaxed. While to date homeowner defaults have been immaterial, we expect that the risk of homeowner defaults may increase as we grow our business. Due to the immaterial amount of homeowner defaults to date, our reserve for this exposure is minimal, and our future exposure may exceed the amount of such reserves. If we experience increased homeowner credit defaults, our revenues and our ability to raise new investment funds could be adversely affected. If economic conditions worsen, certain of our homeowners may face liquidity concerns and may be unable to satisfy their payment obligations to us on a timely basis or at all, which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Obtaining a sales contract with a potential customer does not guarantee that a potential customer will not decide to cancel or that we will need to cancel due to a failed inspection, which could cause us to generate no revenue from a product and adversely affect our results of operations.

Even after we secure a sales contract with a potential customer, we (either directly or through our solar partners) must perform an inspection to ensure the home, including the rooftop, meets our standards and specifications. If the inspection finds repairs to the rooftop are required in order to satisfy our standards and specifications to install the solar energy system, and a potential customer does not want to make such required repairs, we would lose that anticipated sale. In addition, per the terms of our Customer Agreements, a customer maintains the ability to cancel before commencement of installation, subject to certain conditions. Any delay or cancellation of an anticipated sale could materially and adversely affect our financial results, as we may have incurred sales-related, design-related and other expenses and generated no revenue.

We use "open source" software in our solutions, which may require that we release the source code of certain software subject to open source licenses or subject us to possible litigation or other actions that could adversely affect our business.

We utilize software that is licensed under so-called "open source," "free" or other similar licenses. Open source software is made available to the general public on an "as-is" basis under the terms of a non-negotiable license. We currently combine our proprietary software with open source software but not in a manner that we believe requires the release of the source code of our proprietary software to the public. However, our use of open source software may entail greater risks than use of third-party commercial software. Open source licensors generally do not provide warranties or other contractual protections regarding infringement claims or the quality of the code. In addition, if we combine our proprietary software with open source software in a certain manner, we could, under certain open source licenses, be required to release the source code of our proprietary software to the public. This would allow our competitors to create similar offerings with lower development effort and time.

We may also face claims alleging noncompliance with open source license terms or infringement or misappropriation of proprietary software. These claims could result in litigation, require us to purchase a costly license or require us to devote additional research and development resources to change our software, any of which would have a negative effect on our business and results of operations. In addition, if the license terms for open source software that we use change, we may be forced to re-engineer our solutions, incur additional costs or discontinue the use of these solutions if re-engineering cannot be accomplished on a timely basis. Although we monitor our use of open source software to avoid subjecting our offerings to unintended conditions, few courts have interpreted open source licenses, and there is a risk that these licenses could be construed in a way that could impose unanticipated conditions or restrictions on our ability to use our proprietary software. We cannot guarantee that we have incorporated or will incorporate open source software in our software in a manner that will not subject us to liability or in a manner that is consistent with our current policies and procedures.

Any security breach or unauthorized disclosure or theft of personal information we gather, store and use, or other hacking and phishing attacks on our systems, could harm our reputation and subject us to claims or litigation.

We receive, store and use personal information of homeowners, including names, addresses, e-mail addresses, credit information and other housing and energy use information, as well as the personal information of our employees. Unauthorized disclosure of such personal information, whether through breach of our systems by an unauthorized party, employee theft or misuse, or otherwise, could harm our business. In addition, computer malware, viruses, social engineering (predominantly spear phishing attacks), and general hacking have become more prevalent, have occurred on our systems in the past, and could occur on our systems in the future. Inadvertent disclosure of such personal information, or if a third party were to gain unauthorized access to the personal information in our possession, could result in claims or litigation arising from damages suffered by such individuals. In addition, we could incur significant costs in complying with the multitude of federal, state and local laws regarding the unauthorized disclosure of personal information. Our efforts to protect such personal information may be unsuccessful due to software bugs or other technical malfunctions; employees, contractor, or vendor error or malfeasance; or other threats that evolve. In addition, third parties may attempt to fraudulently induce employees or users to disclose sensitive information. Although we have developed systems and processes that are designed to protect the personal information we receive, store and use and to prevent or detect security breaches, we cannot assure you that such measures will provide absolute security. Finally, any perceived or actual unauthorized

disclosure of such information could harm our reputation, substantially impair our ability to attract and retain homeowners and have an adverse impact on our business.

If our products do not work as well as planned or if we are unsuccessful in developing and selling new products or in penetrating new markets, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected.

Our success and ability to compete are dependent on the products that we have developed or may develop in the future. There is a risk that the products that we have developed or may develop may not work as intended, or that the marketing of the products may not be as successful as anticipated. For example, we introduced our Brightbox energy storage system in Hawaii and California and completed the first installation in Hawaii in May 2016. If Brightbox does not work as intended or if Brightbox is not adopted in the future at the rate we expect, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected. The development of new products generally requires substantial investment and can require long development and testing periods before they are commercially viable. We intend to continue to make substantial investments in developing new products and it is possible that that we may not develop or acquire new products or product enhancements that compete effectively within our target markets or differentiate our products based on functionality, performance or cost and thus our new technologies and products may not result in meaningful revenue. In addition, any delays in developing and releasing new or enhanced products could cause us to lose revenue opportunities and potential customers. Any technical flaws in product releases could diminish the innovative impact of our products and have a negative effect on customer adoption and our reputation. If we fail to introduce new products that meet the demands of our customers or target markets or do not achieve market acceptance, or if we fail to penetrate new markets, our business, financial conditions and results of operations could be adversely affected.

# The requirements of being a public company may strain our resources, divert management's attention and affect our ability to attract and retain qualified board members and officers.

We are subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, the listing requirements of the NASDAQ Stock Market and other applicable securities rules and regulations. Compliance with these rules and regulations has increased our legal and financial compliance costs, made some activities more difficult, time-consuming or costly and increased demand on our systems and resources. The Exchange Act requires, among other things, that we file annual, quarterly and current reports with respect to our business and results of operations and maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting. To maintain and improve our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting to meet this standard, significant resources and management oversight may be required. As a result, management's attention may be diverted from other business concerns, which could harm our business and results of operations. Although we have already hired additional employees to comply with these requirements, we may need to hire more employees in the future, which will increase our costs and expenses.

If we are unable to maintain effective disclosure controls and internal controls over financial reporting, investors may lose confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports and, as a result, the value of our common stock may be materially and adversely affected.

We are required, pursuant to the Exchange Act, to furnish a report by management on, among other things, the effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting. This assessment includes disclosure of any material weaknesses, if any, identified by our management in our internal controls over financial reporting. Our independent registered public accounting firm ("independent accounting firm") has performed its initial audit of our internal controls over financial reporting. This initial audit of our internal controls over financial reporting identified no material weaknesses as of December 31, 2018. However, we or our independent accounting firm may identify weaknesses and deficiencies that we may not otherwise identify in a timely manner in the future. If our independent accounting firm is not able to complete the work required under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act on a timely basis for future fiscal years, our annual report on Form 10-K may be delayed or deficient. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that misstatements due to error or fraud will not occur or that all control issues and instances of fraud will be detected.

We cannot guarantee that our internal control over financial reporting will prevent or detect all errors and fraud. The risk of errors is increased in light of the complexity of our business and investment funds. For example, we must deal with significant complexity in accounting for our fund structures and the resulting allocation of net

income (loss) between our stockholders and noncontrolling interests under the hypothetical liquidation at book value ("HLBV") method as well as the income tax consequences of these fund structures. As we enter into additional investment funds, which may have contractual provisions different from those of our existing funds, the analysis as to whether we consolidate these funds, the calculation under the HLBV method, and the analysis of the tax impact could become increasingly complicated. This additional complexity could require us to hire additional resources and increase the chance that we experience errors in the future.

If we are unable to assert that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, we could lose investor confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports, which would cause the price of our common stock to decline. In addition, we could become subject to investigations by the NASDAQ Stock Market, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") or other regulatory authorities, which could require additional management attention and which could adversely affect our business.

# Our reported financial results may be affected, and comparability of our financial results with other companies in our industry may be impacted, by changes in the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Generally accepted accounting principles in the United States are subject to change and interpretation by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB"), the SEC, and various bodies formed to promulgate and interpret appropriate accounting principles. A change in these principles or interpretations could have a significant effect on our reported financial results and on the financial results of other companies in our industry, and may even affect the reporting of transactions completed before the announcement or effectiveness of a change. For example, in May 2014 the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("Topic 606") and in February 2016 the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, *Leases* ("Topic 842"), which affected certain elements of our accounting for revenue and costs incurred to acquire contracts when we adopted these standards in 2018. Other companies in our industry may be affected differently by the adoption of Topic 606 or other new accounting standards, including timing of the adoption of new accounting standards, adversely affecting the comparability of financial statements. See Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*, for information about Topic 606 and Topic 842.

# We may be adversely affected by changes in U.S. tax laws.

On December 22, 2017 Congress and the current administration passed significant tax legislation including a change to the corporate tax rate. As part of this Tax Act, the current corporate income tax rate was reduced, and there were other changes including limiting or eliminating various other deductions, credits and tax preferences. This reduction in the corporate income tax rate could reduce the value of certain benefits, such as depreciation, and reduce capacity for other benefits, such as tax credits. Limitations on, or elimination of, such tax benefits could significantly impact our ability to raise tax equity investment funds or impact the terms thereof, including the amount of cash distributable to third parties. At this time, we are evaluating the potential impact on our tax equity investment funds, business, prospects and results of operations as a result of enactment, since the impact is dependent upon certain tax treatment elections and the specific timing of taxable income/losses in future years. The new legislation includes significant changes which require additional guidance to be issued by the IRS.

#### Our ability to use our net operating loss carryforwards and certain other tax attributes may be limited.

As of December 31, 2018, we had U.S. federal and state net operating loss carryforwards of \$1.1 billion each, which begin expiring in varying amounts in 2028 and 2024, respectively, if unused. Under Sections 382 and 383 of the Code if a corporation undergoes an "ownership change," the corporation's ability to use its pre-change net operating loss carryforwards and other pre-change tax attributes, such as research tax credits, to offset its post-change income and taxes may be limited. In general, an "ownership change" occurs if there is a cumulative change in our ownership by "5% shareholders" that exceeds 50 percentage points over a rolling three-year period. Similar rules may apply under state tax laws. Any such limitations on our ability to use our net operating loss carryforwards and other tax assets could adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations. We have performed an analysis to determine whether an ownership change under Section 382 of the Code had occurred and determined that no ownership changes were identified as of December 31, 2018.

# We may be required to record an impairment expense on our goodwill or intangible assets.

We are required under generally accepted accounting principles to test goodwill for impairment at least annually or when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may be impaired, and to review our intangible assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. Factors that can lead to impairment of goodwill and intangible assets include significant adverse changes in the business climate and actual or projected operating results, declines in the financial condition of our business and sustained decrease in our stock price. As of October 1, 2018, we did not identify any qualitative factors that would require a quantitative goodwill impairment analysis. However, if we identify any factors that could indicate an impairment, including a sustained decrease in our stock price, we may be required to record charges to earnings if our goodwill becomes impaired.

# Risks Related to Ownership of Our Common Stock

Our executive officers, directors and principal stockholders continue to have substantial control over us, which will limit your ability to influence the outcome of important matters, including a change in control.

Each of our executive officers, directors and each of our stockholders who beneficially own 5% or more of our outstanding common stock and their affiliates, in the aggregate, beneficially own approximately 52% of the outstanding shares of our common stock, based on the number of shares outstanding as of December 31, 2018. As a result, these stockholders, if acting together, will be able to influence or control matters requiring approval by our stockholders, including the election of directors and the approval of mergers, acquisitions or other extraordinary transactions. They may also have interests that differ from yours and may vote in a way with which you disagree and which may be adverse to your interests. This concentrated control may have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control of our company, could deprive our stockholders of an opportunity to receive a premium for their capital stock and might ultimately affect the market price of our common stock.

# The market price of our common stock has been and may continue to be volatile, and you could lose all or part of your investment.

The trading price of our common stock has been volatile since our initial public offering, and is likely to continue to be volatile. Factors that could cause fluctuations in the market price of our common stock include the following:

- price and volume fluctuations in the overall stock market from time to time;
- volatility in the market prices and trading volumes of companies in our industry or companies that investors consider comparable;
- changes in operating performance and stock market valuations of other companies generally, or those in our industry in particular;
- sales of shares of our common stock by us or our stockholders;
- failure of securities analysts to maintain coverage of us, changes in financial estimates by securities analysts who follow us, or our failure to meet these estimates or the expectations of investors;
- the financial projections we may provide to the public, any changes in those projections or our failure to meet those projections;
- announcements by us or our competitors of new products or services;
- the public's reaction to our press releases, other public announcements and filings with the SEC;
- rumors and market speculation involving us or other companies in our industry;
- actual or anticipated changes in our results of operations;
- changes in tax and other incentives that we rely upon in order to raise tax equity investment funds;
- changes in the regulatory environment and utility policies and pricing, including those that could reduce any savings we are able to offer to customers;
- actual or anticipated developments in our business, our competitors' businesses or the competitive landscape generally;
- litigation involving us, our industry or both, or investigations by regulators into our operations or those
  of our competitors;
- announced or completed acquisitions of businesses or technologies by us or our competitors;
- new laws or regulations or new interpretations of existing laws or regulations applicable to our business;
- changes in accounting standards, policies, guidelines, interpretations or principles;
- any significant change in our management; and
- general economic conditions and slow or negative growth of our markets.

Further, in recent years the stock markets have experienced price and volume fluctuations that have affected and continue to affect the market prices of equity securities of many companies. These fluctuations often have been unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of those companies. In addition, the stock prices of many renewable energy companies have experienced fluctuations that have often been unrelated to the operating performance of those companies. These broad market and industry fluctuations, as well as general economic, political and market conditions such as recessions, government shutdowns, interest rate changes, or international currency fluctuations, may cause the market price of our common stock to decline. In the past, following periods of volatility in the overall market and the market price of a particular company's securities, securities class action litigation has often been instituted against these companies. We are party to litigation which could result in substantial costs and a diversion of our management's attention and resources.

# Sales of a substantial number of shares of our common stock in the public market, including by our existing stockholders, could cause our stock price to fall.

Sales of a substantial number of shares of our common stock in the public market, or the perception that these sales might occur, could depress the market price of our common stock and could impair our ability to raise capital through the sale of additional equity securities. We are unable to predict the effect that these sales and others may have on the prevailing market price of our common stock.

In addition, certain of our stockholders have registration rights that would require us to register shares of our capital stock owned by them for public sale in the United States. We have also filed a registration statement to register shares of our common stock reserved for future issuance under our equity compensation plans. Subject to the satisfaction of applicable exercise periods and applicable volume and restrictions that apply to affiliates, the shares of our common stock issued upon exercise of outstanding options will become available for immediate resale in the public market upon issuance.

Future sales of our common stock may make it more difficult for us to sell equity securities in the future at a time and at a price that we deem appropriate. These sales also could cause the market price of our common stock to decline and make it more difficult for you to sell shares of our common stock.

# Anti-takeover provisions contained in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws, as well as provisions of Delaware law, could impair a takeover attempt.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, amended and restated bylaws and Delaware law contain provisions which could have the effect of rendering more difficult, delaying, or preventing an acquisition deemed undesirable by our board of directors and therefore depress the trading price of our common stock. Among other things, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws include provisions:

- creating a classified board of directors whose members serve staggered three-year terms;
- authorizing "blank check" preferred stock, which could be issued by our board of directors without stockholder approval and may contain voting, liquidation, dividend and other rights superior to our common stock;
- limiting the liability of, and providing indemnification to, our directors and officers;
- limiting the ability of our stockholders to call and bring business before special meetings;
- requiring advance notice of stockholder proposals for business to be conducted at meetings of our stockholders and for nominations of candidates for election to our board of directors; and
- controlling the procedures for the conduct and scheduling of board of directors and stockholder meetings.

These provisions, alone or together, could delay or prevent hostile takeovers and changes in control or changes in our management.

As a Delaware corporation, we are also subject to provisions of Delaware law, including Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation law, which prevents certain stockholders holding more than 15% of our outstanding capital stock from engaging in certain business combinations without approval of the holders of at least two-thirds of our outstanding capital stock not held by such stockholder.

Any provision of our amended and restated certificate of incorporation, amended and restated bylaws or Delaware law that has the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control could limit the opportunity for our stockholders to receive a premium for their shares of our capital stock and could also affect the price that some investors are willing to pay for our common stock.

Provisions contained in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws limit the ability of our stockholders to call special meetings and prohibit stockholder action by written consent.

Our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that our stockholders may not take action by written consent. Instead, any such actions must be taken at an annual or special meeting of our stockholders. As a result, our stockholders are not able to take any action without first holding a meeting of our stockholders called in accordance with the provisions of our amended and restated bylaws, including advance notice procedures set forth in our amended and restated bylaws. Our amended and restated bylaws further provide that special meetings of our stockholders may be called only by a majority of our board of directors, the chairman of our board of directors, our Chief Executive Officer or our President. As a result, our stockholders are not allowed to call a special meeting. These provisions may delay the ability of our stockholders to force consideration of a stockholder proposal, including a proposal to remove directors.

Provisions contained in our amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws could preclude our stockholders from bringing matters before meetings of stockholders and delay changes in our board of directors.

Our amended and restated bylaws provide advance notice procedures for stockholders seeking to bring business before, or nominate candidates for election as directors at, our annual or special meetings of stockholders. In addition, our amended and restated certificate of incorporation provides that stockholders may remove directors only for cause. Any amendment of these provisions in our amended and restated bylaws or amended and restated certificate of incorporation would require approval by holders of at least 66 2/3% of our then outstanding capital stock. These provisions could preclude our stockholders from bringing matters before annual or special meetings of stockholders and delay changes in our board of directors.

Our amended and restated bylaws provide that a state or federal court located within the State of Delaware will be the sole and exclusive forum for substantially all disputes between us and our stockholders, which could limit our stockholders' ability to obtain a favorable judicial forum for disputes with us or our directors, officers or employees.

Our amended and restated bylaws provide that, unless we consent to the selection of an alternative forum, the sole and exclusive forum for (i) any derivative action or proceeding brought on our behalf, (ii) any action asserting a claim of breach of fiduciary duty owed by any of our directors, officers or other employees to us or to our stockholders, (iii) any action asserting a claim arising pursuant to any provision of the Delaware General Corporation Law or (iv) any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine shall be a state or federal court located within the state of Delaware, in all cases subject to the court's having personal jurisdiction over the indispensable parties names as defendants. The choice of forum provision may limit a stockholder's ability to bring a claim in a judicial forum that it finds favorable for disputes with us or our directors, officers or other employees, which may discourage such lawsuits against us and our directors, officers and other employees. Alternatively, if a court were to find the choice of forum provision contained in our amended and restated bylaws to be inapplicable or unenforceable in an action, we may incur additional costs associated with resolving such action in other jurisdictions, which could harm our business, results of operations and financial condition.

If securities or industry analysts cease publishing research or reports about us, our business, our market or our competitors, or if they adversely change their recommendations regarding our common stock, the market price of our common stock and trading volume could decline.

The market for our common stock is influenced by the research and reports that securities or industry analysts publish about us, our business, our market or our competitors. If any of the analysts who cover us adversely change their recommendations regarding our common stock, or provide more favorable recommendations about our competitors, the market price of our common stock would likely decline. If any of the analysts who cover us cease coverage of our company or fail to regularly publish reports on us, we could lose visibility in the financial markets, which in turn could cause the market price of our common stock and trading volume to decline.

#### We do not expect to declare any dividends in the foreseeable future.

We do not anticipate declaring any cash dividends to holders of our common stock in the foreseeable future. Consequently, investors may need to rely on sales of our common stock after price appreciation, which may never occur or only occur at certain times, as the only way to realize any future gains on their investment. Investors seeking cash dividends should not purchase shares of our common stock.

#### Additional stock issuances could result in dilution to our stockholders.

We may issue additional equity securities to raise capital, make acquisitions or for a variety of other purposes. Additional issuances of our stock may be made pursuant to the exercise or conversion of new or existing convertible debt securities, warrants, stock options or other equity incentive awards to new and existing service providers. Any such issuances will result in dilution to existing holders of our stock. We rely on equity-based compensation as an important tool in recruiting and retaining employees. The amount of dilution due to equity-based compensation of our employees and other additional issuances could be substantial.

#### Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

Not applicable.

# Item 2. Properties.

Our corporate headquarters and executive offices are located in San Francisco, California, where we occupy approximately 44,000 square feet of office space. We also maintain 52 other locations, consisting primarily of branch offices, warehouses, sales offices and design centers in 17 states.

We lease all of our facilities and we do not own any real property. We believe that our current facilities are adequate to meet our ongoing needs. If we require additional space, we believe that we will be able to obtain additional facilities on commercially reasonable terms.

# Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

See Note 20, *Commitments and Contingencies*, to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

# Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

#### **Market Information**

Our common stock began trading on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "RUN" on August 5, 2015.

#### **Holders of Record**

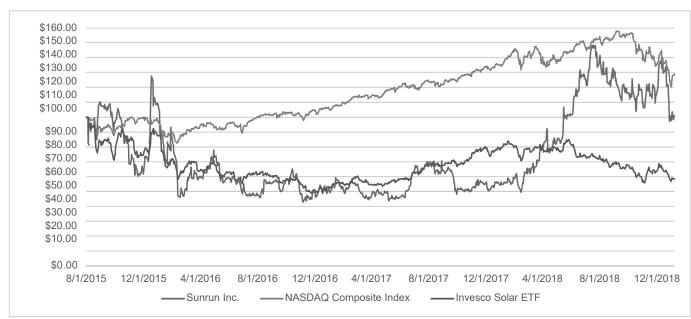
As of February 25, 2019, there were approximately 161 holders of record of common stock. Certain shares are held in "street" name and, accordingly, the number of beneficial owners of such shares is not known or included in the foregoing number.

# **Dividend Policy**

We have never declared or paid any cash dividends on our capital stock. We currently intend to retain all available funds and any future earnings for use in the operation of our business and do not expect to pay any dividends on our capital stock in the foreseeable future. Any future determination to declare dividends will be made at the discretion of our board of directors, subject to applicable laws, and will depend on a number of factors, including our financial condition, results of operations, capital requirements, contractual restrictions, general business conditions and other factors that our board of directors may deem relevant. In addition, our credit agreements contain restrictions on payments of cash dividends.

# **Stock Price Performance Graph**

The following stock performance graph compares our total stock return with the total return for (i) the NASDAQ Composite Index and the (ii) the Invesco Solar ETF, which represents a peer group of solar companies, for the period from August 5, 2015 (the date our common stock commenced trading on the NASDAQ Global Select Market) through December 31, 2018. The figures represented below assume an investment of \$100 in our common stock at the closing price of \$10.77 on August 5, 2015 and in the NASDAQ Composite Index and the Invesco Solar ETF on August 5, 2015 including the reinvestment of dividends into shares of common stock. The comparisons in the table are required by the SEC, and are not intended to forecast or be indicative of possible future performance of our common stock. This graph shall not be deemed "soliciting material" or be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any of our filings under the Securities Act, whether made before or after the date hereof and irrespective of any general incorporation language in any such filing.



	Ticker	A	August 5, 2015	Dec	ember 31, 2017	Dec	ember 31, 2018
Sunrun Inc.	RUN	\$	100.00	\$	54.78	\$	101.11
NASDAQ Composite Index	^IXIC	\$	100.00	\$	134.31	\$	129.09
Invesco Solar ETF	TAN	\$	100.00	\$	79.31	\$	58.55

#### Item 6. Selected Consolidated Financial Data.

You should read the following selected consolidated financial data below in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and the consolidated financial statements, related notes and other financial information included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The selected consolidated financial data in this section is not intended to replace the consolidated financial statements and are qualified in their entirety by the consolidated financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The selected consolidated statements of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 are derived from our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The selected consolidated statements of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the selected consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2016, 2015 and 2014 are derived from audited consolidated financial statements which are not included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Our historical results are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected in the future.

	Year Ended December 31,						
	2018	2017 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015	2014		
		in thousands,	except per s	hare amounts			
Total revenue	\$ 759,981	\$ 532,542	\$ 477,107	\$ 304,606	\$ 198,557		
Net loss	(260,186)	(287,615)	(320,839)	(248,906)	(157,490)		
Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$ 26,657	\$ 125,489	\$ 75,129	\$ (53,136)	\$ (70,852)		
Net income (loss) per share available to common stockholders							
Basic	\$ 0.24	\$ 1.19	\$ 0.73	\$ (0.96)	\$ (3.11)		
Diluted	\$ 0.23	\$ 1.16	\$ 0.72	\$ (0.96)	\$ (3.11)		
Weighted average shares used to compute net income (loss) per share available to common stockholders							
Basic	110,089	105,432	102,367	55,091	22,795		
Diluted	117,112	108,206	104,964	55,091	22,795		

<sup>(1)</sup> Reflects the impact of the adoption of new accounting standards in 2018 related to revenue recognition and leases. Refer to Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies* of the Notes to Financial Statements of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for further discussion.

As	of December	r <b>31</b> ,	
2017 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015	2014
	(in thousands	)	
\$ 241,790	\$ 224,363	\$ 221,161	\$ 160,700

	2018	2017 <sup>(1)</sup>	2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	2015	2014
			(in thousands	)	
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data:					
Cash and Restricted Cash	\$ 304,399	\$ 241,790	\$ 224,363	\$ 221,161	\$ 160,700
Solar energy systems, net	3,820,017	3,161,570	2,498,644	1,992,021	1,484,251
Total assets	4,749,787	3,963,136	3,595,803	2,734,592	1,932,584
Non-recourse debt, current portion	35,484	21,529	14,153	4,722	2,602
Recourse debt	247,000	247,000	244,000	197,000	48,597
Non-recourse debt, net of current portion	1,466,438	1,026,416	639,870	333,042	188,052
Total equity	1,282,782	1,240,516	995,728	659,560	416,619

<sup>(1)</sup> Reflects the impact of the adoption of new accounting standards in 2018 related to revenue recognition and leases. Refer to Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies of the Notes to Financial Statements of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for further discussion.

# Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. This discussion contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. Our actual results could differ materially from those discussed below. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include those identified below and those discussed in the section titled "Risk Factors" included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We provide clean, solar energy to homeowners at a significant savings compared to traditional utility energy. We have been selling solar energy to residential customers through a variety of offerings since we were founded in 2007. We, either directly or through one of our solar partners, install a solar energy system on a customer's home and either sell the system to the homeowner or, as is more often the case, sell the energy generated by the system to the homeowner pursuant to a lease or power purchase agreement ("PPA") with no or low upfront costs. We refer to these leases and PPAs as "Customer Agreements." Following installation, a system is interconnected to the local utility grid. The home's energy usage is provided by the solar energy system, with any additional energy needs provided by the local utility. Any excess solar energy, including amounts in excess of battery storage, that is not immediately used by the homeowners is exported to the utility grid using a bi-directional utility net meter, and the homeowner generally receives a credit for the excess energy from their utility to offset future usage of utility-generated energy.

We offer our solar service offerings both directly to the homeowner and through our solar partners, which include sales and installation partners, and strategic partners, which include retail partners. In addition, we sell solar energy systems directly to customers for cash. We also sell solar energy panels and other products (such as racking) to resellers. As of December 31, 2018, we provided our solar services to customers in 22 states, plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, and sold solar energy panels and other products to resellers throughout the United States. More than 40% of our cumulative systems deployed are in California.

We compete mainly with traditional utilities. In the markets we serve, our strategy is to price the energy we sell below prevailing local retail electricity rates. As a result, the price our customers pay under our solar service offerings varies depending on the state where the customer lives, the local traditional utility that otherwise provides electricity to the customer, as well as the prices other solar energy companies charge in that region. Even within the same neighborhood, site-specific characteristics drive meaningful variability in the revenue and cost profiles of each home. Using our proprietary technology, we target homes with advantageous revenue and cost characteristics, which means we are often able to offer pricing that allows customers to save more on their energy bill while maintaining our ability to meet our targeted returns. For example, with the insights provided by our technology, we can offer competitive pricing to customers with homes that have favorable characteristics, such as roofs that allow for easy installation, high electricity consumption, or low shading, effectively passing through the cost savings we are able to achieve on these installations to the homeowner.

Our ability to offer Customer Agreements depends in part on our ability to finance the purchase and installation of the solar energy systems by monetizing the resulting customer cash flows and related investment tax credits ("ITCs"), accelerated tax depreciation and other incentives from governments and local utilities. We monetize these incentives under tax equity investment funds, which are generally structured as non-recourse project financings. From inception to February 25, 2019, we have established 39 investment funds, which represent financing for an estimated \$7.9 billion in value of solar energy systems on a cumulative basis. From time to time, we may repurchase investors' interests in our tax equity investment funds after the recapture period of the relevant tax incentives. We intend to establish additional investment funds and may also use debt, equity and other financing strategies to fund our growth.

In addition, completing the sale and installation of a solar energy system requires many different steps including a site audit, completion of designs, permitting, installation, electrical sign-off and interconnection. Homeowners may cancel their Customer Agreements with us, subject to certain conditions, during this process until commencement of installation. Customer cancellation rates can change over time and vary between markets.

### **Investment Funds**

Our Customer Agreements provide for recurring customer payments, typically over 20 or 25 years, and the related solar energy systems are generally eligible for ITCs, accelerated tax depreciation and other government or

utility incentives. Our financing strategy is to monetize these benefits at a low weighted average cost of capital. This low cost of capital enables us to offer attractive pricing to our customers for the energy generated by the solar energy system on their homes. Historically, we have monetized a portion of the value created by our Customer Agreements and the related solar energy systems through investment funds. These assets are attractive to fund investors due to the long-term, recurring nature of the cash flows generated by our Customer Agreements, the high credit scores of our customers, the fact that energy is a non-discretionary good and our low loss rates. In addition, fund investors can receive attractive after-tax returns from our investment funds due to their ability to utilize ITCs, accelerated depreciation and certain government or utility incentives associated with the funds' ownership of solar energy systems.

From inception to February 25, 2019, we have formed 39 investment funds. Of these, 31 are currently active and are described below. We have established different types of investment funds to implement our asset monetization strategy. Depending on the nature of the investment fund, cash may be contributed to the investment fund by the investor upfront or in stages based on milestones associated with the design, construction or interconnection status of the solar energy systems. The cash contributed by the fund investor is used by the investment fund to purchase solar energy systems. The investment funds either own or enter into a master lease with a Sunrun subsidiary for the solar energy systems, Customer Agreements and associated incentives. We receive on-going cash distributions from the investment funds representing a portion of the monthly customer payments received. We use the upfront cash, as well as on-going distributions to cover our costs associated with designing, purchasing and installing the solar energy systems. In addition, we also use debt, equity and other financing strategies to fund our operations. The allocation of the economic benefits between us and the fund investor and the corresponding accounting treatment varies depending on the structure of the investment fund.

We currently utilize three legal structures in our investment funds, which we refer to as: (i) pass-through financing obligations, (ii) partnership flips and (iii) joint venture ("JV") inverted leases. We reflect pass-through financing obligations on our consolidated balance sheet as a pass-through financing obligation. We record the investor's interest in partnership flips or JV inverted leases (which we define collectively as "consolidated joint ventures") as noncontrolling interests or redeemable noncontrolling interests. These consolidated joint ventures are usually redeemable at our option and, in certain cases, at the investor's option. If redemption is at our option or the consolidated joint ventures are not redeemable, we record the investor's interest as a noncontrolling interest and account for the interest using the hypothetical liquidation at book value ("HLBV") method. If the investor has the option to put their interest to us, we record the investor's interest as redeemable noncontrolling interest at the greater of the HLBV and the redemption value.

The table below provides an overview of our current investment funds (dollars in millions):

			Consolidated Joint Ventures				
	Pass-Through Financing Obligations		Partnership Flip		JV Inverted	d Lease	
Consolidation			Single entity, consolidated		Owner and to entities cons		
Balance sheet classification	financing r obligation i		Redeemable noncontrolling interests and noncontrolling interests		Redeemable noncontrollin interests and noncontrollin interests	ng d	
Revenue from ITCs		Recognized on the PTO date			None		
Method of calculating investor interest	Effective interest rate method		Greater of HLBV or redemption value		Greater of H redemption v pro rata		
Liability balance as of December 31, 2018	\$	363.7		N/A		N/A	
Noncontrolling interest balance (redeemable or otherwise) as of December 31, 2018		N/A	\$	425.7	\$	34.7	
Number of funds (as of December 31, 2018)		7		21		4	
MW deployed (as of December 31, 2018)		229.5		904.0		114.1	
Carrying value of solar energy systems, net (as of December 31, 2018)	\$	613.5	\$	2,359.3	\$	353.1	
Contributions from third-party fund investors (through December 31, 2018)	\$	788.3	\$	1,955.5	\$	274.6	

For further information regarding our investment funds, including the associated risks, see Item 1A. *Risk Factors*—"Our ability to provide our solar service offerings to homeowners on an economically viable basis depends in part on our ability to finance these systems with fund investors who seek particular tax and other benefits.", Note 11, *Cash Equity Financing*, Note 14, *Pass-Through Financing Obligations*, Note 15, *VIE Arrangements* and Note 16, *Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests* to our consolidated financial statements appearing elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **Pass-through Financing Obligations**

Pass-Through Financing Obligations. In this investment fund structure, we and the fund investor each utilize separate entities to facilitate the pass-through of the ITC or U.S. Treasury grants to the fund investors. We contribute solar energy systems to an "owner" entity in exchange for interests in the owner entity, and the fund investors contribute cash to a "tenant" entity in exchange for interests in the tenant entity.

Under our pass-through financing obligation structure, in accordance with the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB"), Accounting Standards Codification Topic 810 ("ASC 810") *Consolidation*, we have determined that we are the primary beneficiary of the owner entity, and accordingly, we consolidate that entity. We have also determined that we are not the primary beneficiary of the tenant entity, and accordingly, we do not consolidate that entity.

In this investment fund structure, the investors make a series of large up-front payments as well as, in some instances, subsequent smaller quarterly lease payments through their respective tenant entity to the corresponding owner entity in exchange for the assignment of cash flows from Customer Agreements and certain other benefits associated with the Customer Agreements and related solar energy systems. We account for the payments from investors as borrowings by recording the proceeds received as financing obligations. The financing obligation is reduced over a period of approximately 22 years by customer payments under the Customer Agreements, U.S. Treasury grants (where applicable), incentive rebates (where applicable) and proceeds from the contracted resale of SRECs as they are received by the investor. In addition, funds paid for the ITC value upfront are initially recorded

as a refund liability and recognized as revenue as the associated solar system reaches permission to operate ("PTO").

We account for these investment funds in our consolidated financial statements as if we have not assigned the Customer Agreement to the investor, and we record on our consolidated financial statements activities arising from the Customer Agreements and any related U.S. Treasury grants, ITCs monetized as part of the upfront payments received from the investor, incentive rebates and SREC sales. The interest charge on our pass-through financing obligations is imputed at the inception of the fund based on the effective interest rate in the arrangement giving rise to the obligation and is updated prospectively as appropriate.

In certain arrangements, we agree to defer a portion of the up-front payments by arranging a loan between one of our indirectly wholly owned subsidiaries to a subsidiary of the investor's tenant entity.

#### **Consolidated Joint Ventures**

Partnership Flips. Under partnership flip structures, we and our fund investors contribute cash into a partnership entity. The partnership uses the cash to acquire solar energy systems developed by us with signed Customer Agreements. Each fund investor receives a rate of return, typically on an after-tax basis, which varies by investment fund. Prior to the fund investor receiving its contractual rate of return or for a time period specified in the contractual arrangements, the fund investor receives a significant portion of the value attributable to customer payments, a majority of the accelerated tax depreciation and substantially all of the ITCs. After the fund investor receives its contractual rate of return or after the specified time period, we receive substantially all of the value attributable to the remaining customer payments and SREC sales.

Included within the Partnership Flips is the cash equity financing we entered into in December 2016. We pooled and transferred our interests in certain financing funds into a special purpose entity ("SPE") with a new investor. We did not recognize a gain or loss on the transfer of its interests in the financing funds and continue to consolidate the financing funds. The SPE's assets and cash flows are not available to our other creditors, and the investor has no recourse to our other assets.

Under our partnership flip structures, we have determined that we control the partnership entity which is a variable interest entity ("VIE"), and accordingly we consolidate the entity and record the investor's interest as either noncontrolling interests or redeemable noncontrolling interests in our consolidated balance sheets.

Inverted Leases. Under our inverted lease structure, we and the fund investor set up a multi-tiered investment vehicle that is comprised of two partnership entities which facilitate the pass through of the tax benefits to the fund investors. In this structure we contribute solar energy systems to an "owner" partnership entity in exchange for interests in the owner partnership and the fund investors contribute cash to a "tenant" partnership in exchange for interests in the tenant partnership, which in turn makes an investment in the owner partnership entity in exchange for interests in the owner partnership. The owner partnership uses the cash contributions received from the tenant partnership to purchase systems from us and/or fund installation of such systems. Under our existing JV inverted lease structure, a substantial portion of the value generated by the solar energy systems is provided to the fund investor for a specified period of time, which is generally based upon the period of time corresponding to the expiry of the recapture period associated with the ITCs. After that point in time, we receive substantially all of the value attributable to the long-term recurring customer payments and the other incentives. Generally, under the terms of each agreement, the investors' contributions include the value of ITCs earned or grants to be received by the fund investor. Any other proceeds are allocated on a pro rata basis to the fund investor and us in accordance with their ownership percentages. Since Sunrun has the power to control both the owner and tenant entities, both entities are included in our consolidated financial statements.

We also have one JV inverted lease fund whereby we have a pro rata interest in the entity and we account for the noncontrolling interest's share of income on a pro rata basis. Accordingly, the noncontrolling interest of this fund is carried on our balance sheet at the cumulative amount of capital contributions, reduced by cumulative distributions paid to the investor, as well as the pro rata share of their income. Under our JV inverted lease structure, we have determined that we control each VIE, and accordingly we consolidate the entity and record investor's interest as a noncontrolling interest or redeemable noncontrolling interest.

For all of our partnership flips and JV inverted leases, the redeemable noncontrolling interest is carried on our balance sheet at the greater of the redemption value or the amount calculated under the HLBV method. The

HLBV method estimates the amount that, if the fund's assets were hypothetically sold at their book value, the investor would be entitled to receive according to the liquidation waterfall in the partnership agreement.

# **Key Operating Metrics**

We regularly review a number of metrics, including the following key operating metrics, to evaluate our business, measure our performance, identify trends affecting our business, formulate financial projections and make strategic decisions. Some of our key operating metrics are estimates that are based on our management's beliefs and assumptions and on information currently available to management. Although we believe that we have a reasonable basis for each of these estimates, we caution you that these estimates are based on a combination of assumptions that may prove to be inaccurate over time. Any inaccuracies could be material to our actual results when compared to our calculations. Please see the section titled "Risk Factors" in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for more information. Furthermore, other companies may calculate these metrics differently than we do now or in the future, which would reduce their usefulness as a comparative measure.

- Megawatts Deployed represents the aggregate megawatt production capacity of our solar energy systems, whether sold directly to customers or subject to executed Customer Agreements, for which we have (i) confirmation that the systems are installed on the roof, subject to final inspection or (ii) in the case of certain system installations by our partners, accrued at least 80% of the expected project cost.
- Gross Earning Assets represents the net cash flows (discounted at 6%) we expect to receive during the initial term of our Customer Agreements (typically 20 or 25 years) for systems that have been deployed as of the measurement date, plus a discounted estimate of the value of the Customer Agreement renewal term or solar energy system purchase at the end of the initial term. Consistent with industry standards, we use a discount rate of 6%. We consider a discount rate of 6% to be appropriate and consistent with recent market transactions that demonstrate that a portfolio of residential solar homeowner contracts is an asset class that can be securitized successfully on a long-term basis, with a coupon of less than 5%. We calculate the Gross Earning Assets value of the purchase or renewal amount at the expiration of the initial contract term assuming either a system purchase or a five year renewal (for our 25-year Customer Agreements) or a 10-year renewal (for our 20-year Customer Agreements), in each case forecasting only a 30-year customer relationship (although the customer may renew for additional years, or thereafter purchase the system), at a contract rate equal to 90% of the customer's contractual rate in effect at the end of the initial contract term. After the initial (generally 20 or 25-year) contract term, our Customer Agreements typically automatically renew on an annual basis and the rate is initially set at up to a 10% discount to thenprevailing power prices.

Gross Earning Assets is calculated net of estimated cash distributions to investors in consolidated joint ventures and estimated operating, maintenance and administrative expenses for systems deployed as of the measurement date. In calculating Gross Earning Assets, we deduct estimated cash distributions to our project equity financing providers. In calculating Gross Earning Assets, we do not deduct customer payments we are obligated to pass through to investors in pass-through financing obligations as these amounts are reflected on our balance sheet as long-term and short-term pass-through financing obligations, similar to the way that debt obligations are presented. In determining our finance strategy, we use pass-through financing obligations and long-term debt in an equivalent fashion as the schedule of payments of distributions to pass-through financing obligation investors is more similar to the payment of interest to lenders than the internal rates of return (IRRs) paid to investors in other tax equity structures.

- Gross Earning Assets Under Energy Contract represents the net cash flows during the initial term of our Customer Agreements (less substantially all value from SRECs prior to July 1, 2015), for systems deployed as of the measurement date.
- Gross Earning Assets Value of Purchase or Renewal is the forecasted net present value we would receive upon or following the expiration of the initial Customer Agreement term (either in the form of cash payments during any applicable renewal period or a system purchase at the end of the initial term), for systems deployed as of the measurement date.

Gross Earning Assets is forecasted as of a specific date. It is forward-looking, and we use judgment in developing the assumptions used to calculate it. Factors that could impact Gross Earning Assets include, but are not limited to, customer payment defaults, or declines in utility rates or early termination of a contract in certain circumstances, including prior to installation.

Cumulative Megawatts Deployed (end of period)

As of December 31,

2018

2017

1,575

1,202

		As of De	cemb	per 31,		
		2018		2017		
	(in thousands)					
Gross Earning Assets Under Energy Contract (1)	\$	2,099,532	\$	1,458,983		
Gross Earning Assets Value of Purchase or Renewal		962,948		753,673		
Gross Earning Assets <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	3,062,480	\$	2,212,656		

In the fourth quarter of 2017, Gross Earnings Assets under Energy Contract and Total Gross Earning Assets were reduced by \$13 million to reflect changes related to modifications to the Federal Tax Code for assets deployed through December 31, 2017, including a reduction held as a reserve pending final tax regulation guidance based on our best estimate of the potential effect.

The tables below provide a range of Gross Earning Asset amounts if different default, discount and purchase and renewal assumptions were used.

# **Gross Earning Assets Under Energy Contract:**

Default rate		As of December 31, 2018								
			Discount rate	)						
Default rate	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%					
			(in thousands	s)						
5%	\$ 2,401,933	\$ 2,216,716	\$ 2,052,342	\$ 1,906,041	\$ 1,775,456					
0%	\$ 2,460,233	\$ 2,269,115	\$ 2,099,532	\$ 1,948,751	\$ 1,814,187					

# **Gross Earning Assets Value of Purchase or Renewal:**

	As of December 31, 2018								
		"	Discount rate	;					
Purchase or Renewal rate	4%	4% 5% 6% 7%		7%	8%				
	(in thousands)								
80%	\$ 1,271,197	\$ 1,031,394	\$ 839,613	\$	685,721	\$	561,824		
90%	\$ 1,457,854	\$ 1,182,877	\$ 962,948	\$	786,478	\$	644,392		
100%	\$ 1,644,511	\$ 1,334,360	\$ 1,086,301	\$	887,235	\$	726,959		

# **Total Gross Earning Assets:**

		As of December 31, 2018								
Purchase or Renewal rate		Discount rate								
	4%	% 5% 6%		7%	8%					
			(in thousands	;) <u> </u>						
80%	\$ 3,731,430	\$ 3,300,509	\$ 2,939,145	\$ 2,634,472	\$ 2,376,011					
90%	\$ 3,918,087	\$ 3,451,992	\$ 3,062,479	\$ 2,735,229	\$ 2,458,578					
100%	\$ 4,104,745	\$ 3,603,475	\$ 3,185,832	\$ 2,835,986	\$ 2,541,145					

# **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"). GAAP requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue, expenses and related disclosures. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. In many instances, we could have reasonably used different accounting estimates, and in other instances, changes in the accounting estimates are reasonably likely to occur from period-to-period. Actual results could differ significantly from our estimates. Our future financial statements will be affected to the extent that our actual results materially differ from these estimates. For further information on all of our significant accounting policies, see Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*, to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

We believe that policies associated with our principles of consolidation, revenue recognition, impairment of long-lived assets, provision for income taxes and calculation of noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests have the greatest impact on our consolidated financial statements. Therefore, we consider these to be our critical accounting policies and estimates.

# **Principles of Consolidation**

Our consolidated financial statements include our accounts and those of our subsidiaries in which we have a controlling financial interest. The typical condition for a controlling financial interest is holding a majority of the voting interests of an entity. However, a controlling financial interest may also exist in entities, such as VIEs, through arrangements that do not involve controlling financial interests. We consolidate any VIE of which we are the primary beneficiary, which is defined as the party that has (1) the power to direct the activities of a VIE that most significantly impact the VIE's economic performance and (2) the obligation to absorb losses or receive benefits of the VIE that could potentially be significant to the VIE. We evaluate our relationships with our VIEs on an ongoing basis to determine whether we continue to be the primary beneficiary. Our financial statements reflect the assets and liabilities of VIEs that we consolidate. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. For further information regarding consolidation of our investment funds, see "—Investment Funds" above.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

We recognize revenue when control of goods or services is transferred to customers, in an amount that reflects the consideration we expect to be entitled to in exchange for those goods or services.

Customer Agreements and Incentives Revenue. Customer agreements and incentives revenue is primarily comprised of revenue from our Customer Agreements and sales of ITCs and SRECs to third parties.

We recognize revenue from a Customer Agreement when PTO for the applicable solar energy system is given by the local utility company or on the date daily operation commences if utility approval is not required. We recognize revenue evenly over the time that we satisfy our performance obligations over the initial term of the Customer Agreements. Customer Agreements typically have an initial term of 20 or 25 years. After the initial contract term, our Customer Agreements typically automatically renew on an annual basis and the rate is initially set at up to a 10% discount to then-prevailing power prices.

We also apply for and receive SRECs associated with the energy generated by our solar energy systems and sell them to third parties in certain jurisdictions. SREC revenue is estimated net of any variable consideration related to possible liquidated damages if we were to deliver fewer SRECs than contractually committed, and is generally recognized upon delivery of the SRECs to the counterparty.

Certain upfront payments related to Customer Agreements and SRECs are deemed to have a financing component, and therefore increase both revenue and interest expense by the same amount over the term of the related agreement. The additional revenue is included in the total transaction price to be recorded over the term of the agreement and is recognized based on the timing of the delivery. The interest expense is recognized based upon an amortization schedule which typically decreases throughout the term of the related agreement.

For pass-through financing obligation Funds, the value attributable to the ITCs are recognized in the period a solar system is granted PTO, at which point we have met our obligation to the investor. The ITCs are subject to recapture under the Internal Revenue Code ("Code") if the underlying solar energy system either ceases to be a qualifying property or undergoes a change in ownership within five years of its placed-in-service date. The recapture amount decreases on the anniversary of the PTO date. We have not historically recorded a material recapture of ITCs, and do not expect to record a material recapture of ITCs in the future.

Consideration from customers is considered variable due to the performance guarantee under Customer Agreements and liquidated damage provisions under SREC contracts in the event minimum deliveries are not achieved. Performance guarantees provide a credit to the customer if the system's cumulative production, as measured on various PTO anniversary dates, is below our guarantee of a specified minimum. Revenue is recognized to the extent it is probable that a significant reversal of such revenue will not occur.

Solar Energy Systems and Product Sales. Solar energy systems sales are comprised of revenue from the sale of solar energy systems directly to homeowners. We recognize revenue from solar energy systems sold to homeowners when the solar energy system passes inspection by the authority having jurisdiction, which inspection generally occurs after installation but prior to PTO, at which time we have met the performance obligation in the contract.

Product sales revenue consists of revenue from the sale of solar panels, inverters, racking systems and other solar energy products sold to resellers, as well as the sale of customer leads to third parties, including our partners and other solar providers. Product sales revenue is recognized when control is transferred, generally upon shipment. Customer lead revenue is recognized at the time the lead is delivered.

# **Impairment of Long-Lived Assets**

The carrying amounts of our long-lived assets, including solar energy systems and definite-lived intangible assets, are periodically reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of these assets may not be recoverable or that the useful life is shorter than originally estimated. Factors that we consider in deciding when to perform an impairment review would include significant negative industry or economic trends, and significant changes or planned changes in our use of the assets. Recoverability of these assets is measured by comparison of the carrying amount of each asset group to the future undiscounted cash flows the asset is expected to generate over its remaining life. If the asset is considered to be impaired, the amount of any impairment is measured as the difference between the carrying value and the fair value of the impaired asset. If the useful life is shorter than originally estimated, we amortize the remaining carrying value over the new shorter useful life.

#### **Provision for Income Taxes**

We account for income taxes under an asset and liability approach. Deferred income taxes reflect the impact of temporary differences between assets and liabilities recognized for financial reporting purposes and the amounts recognized for income tax reporting purposes, net operating loss carryforwards and other tax credits measured by applying currently enacted tax laws. A valuation allowance is provided when necessary to reduce deferred tax assets to an amount that is more likely than not to be realized. We consider all available evidence, both positive and negative, including historical levels of income, estimates of future taxable income and ongoing tax planning strategies in assessing the need for a valuation allowance. As of December 31, 2018, we have recorded a valuation allowance of \$10.5 million for certain federal tax credits, state tax credits and state deferred tax assets that we believe is more likely than not that the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

We sell solar energy systems to the investment funds. As the investment funds are consolidated by us, the gain on the sale of the solar energy systems is not recognized in the consolidated financial statements. However, this gain is recognized for tax reporting purposes. Since these transactions are intercompany sales for book purposes, before January 1, 2017, any tax expense incurred related to these intercompany sales was deferred and recorded as a prepaid tax asset and there was no recognition of a deferred tax asset related to our increased tax basis in the partnership as a result of such sales. The prepaid tax asset was amortized over the estimated useful life of the underlying solar energy systems which has been estimated to be 35 years. With the adoption of ASU 2016-16 on January 1, 2017 we reversed net prepaid tax assets of \$378.5 million and recorded the gross deferred tax assets associated with the historical intercompany sales of solar energy systems, which in turn reduced the deferred tax liabilities on investment in partnerships by \$378.2 million with the remaining \$0.3 million being recorded as a cumulative effect of adoption in our Consolidated Statements of Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest and Stockholders' Equity. The adoption did not have an impact on our Consolidated Statement of Operations.

We determine whether a tax position is more likely than not to be sustained upon examination, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes, based on the technical merits of the position. We use a two-step approach to recognizing and measuring uncertain tax positions. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon tax authority examination, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

Our policy is to include interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits, if any, within the provision for taxes in the consolidated statements of operations.

# **Noncontrolling Interests and Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests**

Our noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests represent fund investors' interests in the net assets of certain investment funds, which we consolidate, that we have entered into in order to finance the costs of solar energy facilities under Customer Agreements. We have determined that the provisions in the contractual arrangements of the investment funds represent substantive profit-sharing arrangements, which gives rise to the noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests. We have further determined that for all but one of these arrangements, the appropriate methodology for attributing income and loss to the noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests each period is a balance sheet approach using the HLBV method.

Attributing income and loss to the noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests under the HLBV method requires the use of significant assumptions to calculate the amounts that fund investors would receive upon a hypothetical liquidation. Changes in these assumptions, including change in tax rates, can have a significant impact on the amount that fund investors would receive upon a hypothetical liquidation.

We classify certain noncontrolling interests with redemption features that are not solely within our control outside of permanent equity on our consolidated balance sheets. Redeemable noncontrolling interests are reported using the greater of their carrying value at each reporting date as determined by the HLBV method or their estimated redemption value in each reporting period. Estimating the redemption value of the redeemable noncontrolling interests requires the use of significant assumptions and estimates such as projected future cash flows at the time the redemption feature can be exercised.

We determine the net income (loss) attributable to common stockholders by deducting from net loss, the net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests in these funds. The net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests represents the fund investors' allocable share in the results of operations of these investment funds. For these funds, we have determined that the provisions in the contractual arrangements represent substantive profit sharing arrangements, where the allocations to the partners sometimes differ from the stated ownership percentages. We have further determined that, for these arrangements, the appropriate methodology for attributing income and loss to the noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests each period is a balance sheet approach using the HLBV method. Under the HLBV method, the amounts of income and loss attributed to the noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests in the consolidated statements of operations reflect changes in the amounts the fund investors would hypothetically receive at each balance sheet date under the liquidation provisions of the contractual provisions of these funds, assuming the net assets of the respective investment funds were liquidated at the carrying value determined in accordance with GAAP. The fund investors' interest in the results of operations of these investment funds is initially determined by calculating the difference in the noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests' claim under the HLBV method at the start and end of each reporting period, after taking into account any contributions and distributions between the fund and the fund investors and subject to the redemption provisions in certain funds.

#### **Results of Operations**

The results of operations presented below should be reviewed in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

		Year E	End	ed Decemb	er :	31,
		2018		2017		2016
	(i	n thousand	s, ex	cept per sh	are	amounts)
Revenue:						
Customer agreements and incentives	\$	404,466	\$	234,276	\$	191,626
Solar energy systems and product sales		355,515		298,266		285,481
Total revenue		759,981		532,542		477,107
Operating expenses:						
Cost of customer agreements and incentives		240,857		186,435		154,244
Cost of solar energy systems and product sales		294,066		254,131		239,381
Sales and marketing		207,232		146,426		168,737
Research and development		18,844		15,079		10,199
General and administrative		116,659		107,400		92,416
Amortization of intangible assets		4,204		4,204		4,206
Total operating expenses		881,862		713,675		669,183
Loss from operations		(121,881)		(181,133)		(192,076)
Interest expense, net		131,771		92,255		73,340
Other (income) expenses, net		(2,788)		1,874		(840)
Loss before income taxes		(250,864)		(275,262)		(264,576)
Income tax expense		9,322		12,353		56,263
Net loss		(260,186)		(287,615)		(320,839)
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests		(286,843)		(413,104)		(395,968)
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	26,657	\$	125,489	\$	75,129
Net income per share attributable to common stockholders	-					
Basic	<u>\$</u> \$	0.24	\$	1.19	\$	0.73
Diluted	\$	0.23	\$	1.16	\$	0.72
Weighted average shares used to compute net income per share attributable to common stockholders						
Basic		110,089		105,432		102,367
Diluted		117,112		108,206		104,964
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# Comparison of the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

# Revenue

	Year Ended December 31,				Cha	ange	
	2018		2017		\$	%	
		(in	thousands	)			
Customer agreements	\$ 272,6	72 \$	210,753	\$	61,919	29 %	
Incentives	131,7	94	23,523		108,271	460 %	
Customer agreements and incentives	404,4	66	234,276		170,190	73 %	
Solar energy systems	186,5	12	113,953		72,559	64 %	
Products	169,0	03	184,313		(15,310)	(8)%	
Solar energy systems and product sales	355,5	15	298,266		57,249	19 %	
Total revenue	\$ 759,9	81 \$	532,542	\$	227,439	43 %	

Customer Agreements and Incentives. The \$61.9 million increase in revenue from Customer Agreements was primarily due to both an increase in solar energy systems under Customer Agreements being placed in service in 2018 and a full year of revenue recognized in 2018 for systems placed in service in 2017 versus only a partial

amount of such revenue related to the period in which the assets were in service in 2017. The \$108.3 million increase in revenue from incentives, consisting of ITCs and SRECs, was primarily due to the sale of ITCs related to a pass-through financing obligation fund opened in 2018.

Solar Energy Systems and Product Sales. Revenue from solar energy systems sales increased by \$72.6 million compared to the prior year due to increased demand through retail partners. Product sales decreased by \$15.3 million compared to the prior year primarily due to an increase in the volume of wholesale products sold in 2017 ahead of the anticipated Section 201 Module Tariffs.

#### Operating Expenses

	Year Ended December 31,				Cha	inge	
	2018		2017		\$	%	
			(in	thousands	)		
Cost of customer agreements and incentives	\$	240,857	\$	186,435	\$	54,422	29%
Cost of solar energy systems and product sales		294,066		254,131		39,935	16%
Sales and marketing		207,232		146,426		60,806	42%
Research and development		18,844		15,079		3,765	25%
General and administrative expense		116,659		107,400		9,259	9%
Amortization of intangible assets		4,204		4,204		_	—%
Total operating expenses	\$	881,862	\$	713,675	\$	168,187	24%

Cost of Customer Agreements and Incentives. The \$54.4 million increase in Cost of customer agreements and incentives was primarily due to the increase in solar energy systems placed in service in 2018, plus a full year of costs recognized in 2018 for systems placed in service in 2017 versus only a partial amount of such expenses related to the period in which the assets were in service in 2017.

The Cost of customer agreements and incentives decreased to 60% of customer agreements and incentives revenue during 2018, from 80% during 2017 due to the \$108.3 million increase in ITC incentives revenue under a pass-through financing obligation fund opened in 2018, which have no corresponding cost of sales.

Cost of Solar Energy Systems and Product Sales. The \$39.9 million increase in Cost of solar energy systems and product sales was due to the corresponding changes in solar energy systems and product sales discussed above.

Sales and Marketing Expense. The \$60.8 million increase in Sales and marketing expense was primarily attributable to an increase in headcount driving higher employee compensation. Included in sales and marketing expense is \$8.6 million and \$6.5 million of amortization of costs to obtain Customer Agreements for 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Research and Development Expense. The \$3.8 million increase in Research and development was primarily attributable to hiring of personnel to support the growth of our business.

General and Administrative Expense. The \$9.3 million increase in General and administrative expenses primarily related to an increase in headcount driving higher employee compensation. The remainder of the increase related to litigation and legal settlement activity.

#### Non-Operating Expenses

	Year Ended December 31,					Cha	ınge	
	2018			2017		\$	%	
	(in thousands)							
Interest expense, net	\$	131,771	\$	92,255	\$	39,516	43 %	
Other (income) expenses, net		(2,788)		1,874		(4,662)	(249)%	
Total interest and other expenses, net	\$	128,983	\$	94,129	\$	34,854	37 %	

Interest expense, net. The increase in Interest expense, net of \$39.5 million was related to additional non-recourse and pass-through financing obligation debt entered into in 2018. Included in net interest expense is \$22.9 million and \$21.1 million of non-cash interest recognized under Customer Agreements that have a significant financing component for 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Other (income) expenses, net. The increase in Other (income) expenses, net of \$4.7 million relates primarily to a reclassification of \$6.9 million of other comprehensive income to earnings as a result of a hedged forecasted transaction becoming probable to not occur due to a refinancing which repaid the hedged debt and terminated the related interest rate swap agreement during 2018, offset by a loss on extinguishment of the related debt.

#### Income Tax Expense

	Year Ended December 31,				Chanç	ge	
2	2018		2017		\$	%	
		(in t	housands)	)			
\$	9,322	\$	12,353	\$	(3,031)	(25)%	

The tax expense at the statutory rate of 21.0% for 2018 was reduced by the allocation of the losses to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests of 24.01% and change in valuation allowance of 3.04% and increased by other miscellaneous items of 2.33%. The statutory rate tax of 34.0% for 2017 was reduced by the allocation of losses to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests of 51.03% and by other miscellaneous items of 3.4%. The decrease was offset by the tax impact of the change in the federal income tax rate of 15.93%.

The decrease in Income tax expense relates to a decrease in noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests and an increase in stock based compensation deductions. Given our net operating loss carryforwards as of December 31, 2018, we do not expect to pay income tax, including in connection with our 2018 income tax provision, until our net operating losses are fully utilized. As of the year ended December 31, 2018, our federal and state net operating loss carryforwards were \$1.1 billion and \$1.1 billion, respectively. If not utilized, the federal net operating loss will begin to expire in 2028 and the state net operating losses will begin to expire in 2024. Federal and certain state net operating loss carryforwards generated in 2018 have indefinite carryover periods and do not expire.

#### Net Loss Attributable to Noncontrolling Interests and Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests

	Year I Decem	Ended ber 31,	Cha	nge	
	2018	2017	\$	%	
		(in thousands)			
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests	\$ (286,843)	\$ (413,104)	\$ 126,261	(31)%	

The decrease in Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests was primarily a result of entering into a pass-through financing obligation fund in 2018, which does not use the HLBV method to determine the amount of net income or loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable

noncontrolling interests. Generally, new partnership funds generate larger losses attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests under the HLBV method in the first years after formation. In 2017, all new funds used the HLBV method.

# Comparison of the Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

#### Revenue

	Year Ended December 31,				Cha	nge													
		2017		2017		2017		2016		2016		7 2016		2016		2016		\$	%
			(in	thousands)	)														
Customer agreements	\$	210,753	\$	155,870	\$	54,883	35 %												
Incentives		23,523		35,756		(12,233)	(34)%												
Customer agreements and incentives		234,276		191,626		42,650	22 %												
Solar energy systems		113,953		127,727		(13,774)	(11)%												
Products		184,313		157,754		26,559	17 %												
Solar energy systems and product sales		298,266		285,481		12,785	4 %												
Total revenue	\$	532,542	\$	477,107	\$	55,435	12 %												

Customer Agreements and Incentives. The \$54.9 million increase in revenue from Customer Agreements was primarily due to both an increase in solar energy systems under Customer Agreements being placed in service in 2017 and a full year of revenue recognized in 2017 for systems placed in service in 2016 versus only a partial amount of such revenue related to the period in which the assets were placed in service in 2016. The \$12.2 million decrease in revenue from incentives, consisting of the sale of ITCs and SRECs, was primarily due to fewer sales of ITCs related to a pass-through financing obligation fund that opened in late 2015.

Solar Energy Systems and Product Sales. Revenue from solar energy systems sales decreased by \$13.8 million compared to 2017 to softer customer demand in our retail sales channel following increased sales and marketing efforts in 2016. Product sales increased by \$26.6 million compared to the prior year period primarily due to an increase in volume of wholesale products sold due to the Section 201 Module Tariffs, offset by industry-wide price decreases and a decrease in customer lead sales.

#### Operating Expenses

	Year Ended December 31,				Chai	ange	
		2017		2016		\$	%
			(in	thousands	)		
Cost of customer agreements and incentives	\$	186,435	\$	154,244	\$	32,191	21 %
Cost of solar energy systems and product sales		254,131		239,381		14,750	6 %
Sales and marketing		146,426		168,737		(22,311)	(13)%
Research and development		15,079		10,199		4,880	48 %
General and administrative expense		107,400		92,416		14,984	16 %
Amortization of intangible assets		4,204		4,206		(2)	— %
Total operating expenses	\$	713,675	\$	669,183	\$	44,492	7 %

Cost of Customer Agreements and Incentives. The \$32.2 million increase in Cost of customer agreements and incentives was primarily due to the increase in solar energy systems placed in service in 2017, plus a full year of costs recognized in 2017 for systems placed in service in 2016 versus only a portion of such expenses related to the period in which the assets were in service in 2016.

The Cost of customer agreements and incentives remained consistent at 80% of Customer agreements and incentives revenue during 2017 and 2016.

Cost of Solar Energy Systems and Product Sales. The \$14.8 million increase in Cost of solar energy systems and product sales was due to an increase in the product sales discussed above.

Sales and Marketing Expense. The \$22.3 million decrease in Sales and marketing expense was primarily attributable to the decrease in our use of certain third party lead generation and direct mailer provider services as we continue to generate more leads internally as well as a decrease in personnel primarily in canvassing. Included in sales and marketing expense is \$6.5 million and \$4.3 million of amortization of costs to obtain Customer Agreements for 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Research and Development Expense. The \$4.9 million increase in Research and development was primarily attributable to hiring of personnel to support the growth of our business.

General and Administrative Expense. The \$15.0 million increase in General and administrative expenses primarily relates to hiring of personnel to support the growth of our business as well as an increase in professional services.

# Non-Operating Expenses

	Year Ended December 31,					Cha	ange		
	2017		2016		016		\$		%
	(in thousands)								
Interest expense, net	\$	92,255	\$	73,340	\$	18,915	26 %		
Other expenses (income), net		1,874		(840)		2,714	(323)%		
Total interest and other expenses, net	\$	94,129	\$	72,500	\$	21,629	30 %		

Interest Expense, net. The increase in Interest expense, net of \$18.9 million was related to additional non-recourse debt entered into in 2017. Included in net interest expense is \$21.1 million and \$19.4 million of non-cash interest recognized under Customer Agreements that have a significant financing component for 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Other expenses (income), net. The increase in Other expenses (income), net of \$2.7 million was primarily due to a loss from the early extinguishment of certain non-recourse debt in 2017.

#### Income Tax Expense

Year Ended December 31,				Chan	ıge	
	2017		2016		\$	%
		(in t	housands)	)		
\$	12,353	\$	56,263	\$	(43,910)	(78)%

The tax expense at the statutory rate of 34.0% for 2017 was reduced by the allocation of the losses to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests of 51.03% and by other miscellaneous items of 3.4%. The decrease was offset by the tax impact of the change in federal rate of 15.93%. The statutory rate tax of 34.0% for 2016 was reduced by the allocation of losses to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests of 50.88% and by other miscellaneous items of 4.38%.

The decrease in Income tax expense relates to a decrease in the federal tax rate from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. Given our net operating loss carryforwards as of December 31, 2017, we do not expect to pay income tax, including in connection with our 2017 income tax provision, until our net operating losses are fully utilized. As of December 31, 2017, our federal and state net operating loss carryforwards were \$720.1 million and \$667.9 million, respectively. If not utilized, the federal net operating loss will begin to expire in 2028 and the state net operating losses will begin to expire in 2024.

# Net Loss Attributable to Noncontrolling Interests and Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests

		Ended iber 31,	Chan	ge
	2017	2016	\$	%
	•			
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests	\$ (413,104)	\$ (395,968)	\$ (17,136)	4%

The increase in Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests was primarily a result of the addition of six investment funds in 2017, which use the HLBV method to determine the amount of net income or loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests, which generally allocates more loss to the noncontrolling interest in the first several years after fund formation.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

As of December 31, 2018, we had cash of \$226.6 million, which consisted of cash held in checking and savings accounts with financial institutions. We finance our operations mainly through a variety of financing fund arrangements that we have formed with fund investors, borrowings, cash generated from our sources of revenue and proceeds from secured credit facilities arrangements with a syndicate of banks for up to \$255.0 million and from secured, long-term non-recourse loan arrangements for up to \$121.4 million. Our principal uses of cash are funding our business, including the costs of acquisition and installation of solar energy systems, satisfaction of our obligations under our debt instruments and other working capital requirements. As of December 31, 2018, we have outstanding borrowings of \$247.0 million on our \$250.0 million corporate bank line of credit maturing in April 2020. Our business model requires substantial outside financing arrangements to grow the business and facilitate the deployment of additional solar energy systems. The solar energy systems that are operational are expected to generate a positive return rate over the term of the Customer Agreement, typically 20 or 25 years. However, in order to grow, we will continue to be dependent on financing from outside parties. If financing is not available to us on acceptable terms if and when needed, we may be required to reduce planned spending, which could have a material adverse effect on our operations. While there can be no assurances, we anticipate raising additional required capital from new and existing investors. We believe our cash, investment fund commitments and available borrowings as further described below will be sufficient to meet our anticipated cash needs for at least the next 12 months. The following table summarizes our cash flows for the periods indicated:

	Year Ended December 31,							
		2018		2017		2016		
			(in	thousands)				
Consolidated cash flow data:								
Net cash used in operating activities	\$	(62,461)	\$	(96,103)	\$	(200,141)		
Net cash used in investing activities		(811,316)		(777,319)		(695,802)		
Net cash provided by financing activities		936,386		890,849		899,145		
Net increase in cash	\$	62,609	\$	17,427	\$	3,202		

#### **Operating Activities**

During 2018, we used \$62.5 million in net cash in operating activities. The driver of our operating cash inflow consists of payments received from customers as well as incentives. The driver of our operating cash outflows primarily relate to the costs of our revenues, as well as sales, marketing and general and administrative costs. During 2018, our operating cash outflows were \$47.3 million from our net loss excluding non-cash and non-operating items. Changes in working capital resulted in a net cash outflow of \$15.2 million.

During 2017, we used \$96.1 million in net cash in operating activities. The driver of our operating cash inflow consists of payments received from customers. During 2017, our operating cash outflows were \$105.7 million from our net loss excluding non-cash and non-operating items. The \$105.7 million includes a final cash payment of \$8.8 million related to our 2015 acquisition of Clean Energy Experts, LLC ("CEE"), a consumer demand and solar-lead generation company. Changes in working capital resulted in a net cash inflow of \$9.6 million, primarily driven by accounts payable which in turn was offset by an increase in inventory due to additional module purchases ahead of the tariff effective in February 2018.

During 2016, we used \$200.1 million in net cash from operating activities. During 2016, we had an increase in deferred revenue of approximately \$29.3 million relating to upfront lease payments received from customers and solar energy system incentive rebate payments received from various state and local utilities. This increase was offset by our operating cash outflows of \$163.8 million from our net loss excluding non-cash and non-operating items. Changes in accounts payable resulted in a cash outflow of \$40.3 million. Changes in working capital, other than deferred revenue and accounts payable, resulted in a cash outflow of \$25.3 million.

#### **Investing Activities**

During 2018, we used \$811.3 million in cash in investing activities. Of this amount, we used \$806.4 million to design, acquire and install solar energy systems and components under our long-term Customer Agreements, and \$4.9 million for capitalized software projects and the acquisition of office equipment.

During 2017, we used \$777.3 million in cash in investing activities. Of this amount, we used \$769.4 million to design, acquire and install solar energy systems and components under our long-term Customer Agreements, and \$7.9 million for capitalized software projects and the acquisition of office equipment.

During 2016, we used \$695.8 million in cash in investing activities. Of this amount, we used \$678.3 million to design, acquire and install solar energy systems and components under our long-term Customer Agreements, \$12.5 million for capitalized software projects and the acquisition of office equipment and \$5.0 million for additional purchase consideration for the acquisition of CEE.

# Financing Activities

During 2018, we generated \$936.4 million from financing activities. This was primarily driven by \$483.8 million in net proceeds from fund investors, \$438.1 million in proceeds from debt, net of debt issuance costs and repayments, offset by \$9.0 million in repayments under finance lease obligations.

During 2017, we generated \$890.8 million from financing activities. This was primarily driven by \$511.2 million in net proceeds from fund investors, \$374.7 million in proceeds from debt, net of debt issuance costs and repayments, offset by \$9.8 million in repayments under finance lease obligations.

During 2016, we generated \$899.1 million from financing activities. This was primarily driven by \$550.0 million in net proceeds from fund investors, \$345.8 million in proceeds from debt, net of debt issuance costs and repayments, offset by \$12.8 million in repayments under finance lease obligations.

# **Debt, Equity, and Financing Fund Commitments**

# Debt Instruments

For a discussion of the terms and conditions of debt instruments and changes thereof in the period, refer to Note 11, *Cash Equity Financing* and Note 12, *Indebtedness*, to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### **Equity Instruments**

Warrant. In August 2017, we entered into an agreement with an affiliate ("Contractor") of Comcast Corporation ("Comcast") whereby Contractor will receive lead or sales fees for new customers it brings to us over a 40-month term. We also issued Comcast a warrant to purchase up to 11,793,355 shares of our common stock, at an exercise price of \$0.01 per warrant share. The warrant would initially vest 50.05% when both (i) Contractor has earned a lead or sales fee with respect to 30,000 of installed solar energy systems, and (ii) Contractor or its affiliates have spent at least \$10.0 million in marketing and sales in connection with the agreement. Thereafter, the warrant would vest in five additional increments for each additional 6,000 installed solar energy systems. On November 7, 2018 the warrant vesting schedule was modified so that it will initially vest either (i) as to 10.0% if Contractor has earned a lead or sales fee with respect to 6,000 of installed solar energy systems by September 30, 2019 or (ii) as to 13.3% if Contractor has earned a lead or sales fee with respect to 8,000 of installed solar energy systems by December 31, 2019, provided that, in either case, Contractor or its affiliates have spent at least \$25.0 million in marketing and sales in connection with the agreement. Thereafter, the warrant will vest in additional 8.3% increments for each additional 5,000 installed solar energy systems. If the initial vesting conditions have not been met by December 31, 2019, the Warrant will expire.

#### **Investment Fund Commitments**

As of December 31, 2018, we had undrawn committed capital of approximately \$205.8 million which may only be used to purchase and install solar energy systems. We intend to establish new investment funds in the future, and we may also use debt, equity or other financing strategies to finance our business.

For a discussion of our cash equity financing, refer to Note 11, *Cash Equity Financing*, to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# **Contractual Obligations and Other Commitments**

The following table summarizes our contractual obligations as of December 31, 2018:

	Payments Due by Period									
	Less Than 1 Year		1 to 3 Years	3 to 5 Years	More Than 5 Years	Total				
				(in thousand	ousands)					
Contractual Obligations:										
Debt obligations (including future interest)	\$	140,819	\$653,377	\$472,869	\$ 1,063,847	\$2,330,912				
Purchase commitments		_	135,350	_	_	135,350				
Distributions payable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests (1)		15,847	_	_	_	15,847				
Financing lease obligations (including accrued interest)		9,742	7,909	1,560	949	20,160				
Operating lease obligations, net of sublease income		8,720	8,992	4,451	25	22,188				
Total contractual obligations	\$	175,128	\$805,628	\$478,880	\$ 1,064,821	\$2,524,457				

The foregoing table does not include the amounts we could be required to expend under our redemption obligations discussed above.

#### **Off Balance Sheet Arrangements**

We include in our consolidated financial statements all assets and liabilities and results of operations of investment fund arrangements that we have entered into. We do not have any off-balance sheet arrangements.

#### **Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

See Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*, to our consolidated financial statement included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

We are exposed to certain market risks in the ordinary course of our business. Our primary exposure includes changes in interest rates because certain borrowings bear interest at floating rates based on LIBOR plus a specified margin. We sometimes manage our interest rate exposure on floating-rate debt by entering into derivative instruments to hedge all or a portion of our interest rate exposure in certain debt facilities. We do not enter into any derivative instruments for trading or speculative purposes. Changes in economic conditions could result in higher interest rates, thereby increasing our interest expense and operating expenses and reducing funds available for capital investments, operations and other purposes. A hypothetical 10% increase in our interest rates on our variable rate debt facilities would have increased our interest expense by \$2.9 million and \$2.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

# Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

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# Report of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of Sunrun Inc.

# **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Sunrun Inc. (the Company) as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, redeemable noncontrolling interests and stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2018, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements"). In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2018, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, based on criteria established in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework), and our report dated February 28, 2019 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

# **Change in Accounting Principles**

As discussed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements, the Company has changed its method of accounting for revenue from contracts with customers and for accounting for leases due to the 2018 adoption of the new revenue standard and new lease standard, respectively. The Company adopted the new revenue standard using the full retrospective approach and adopted the new lease standard using a modified retrospective approach at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements.

# **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2010.

San Francisco, California February 28, 2019

# Report of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of Sunrun Inc.

# **Opinion on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

We have audited Sunrun Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework) (the COSO criteria). In our opinion, Sunrun Inc. (the Company) maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, based on the COSO criteria.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB), the 2018 consolidated financial statements of the Company, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "consolidated financial statements") and our report dated February 28, 2019 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements and included an explanatory paragraph related to the Company's change in method of accounting for revenue from contracts with customers and for accounting for leases due to the 2018 adoption of the new revenue standard and new lease standard, respectively.

# **Basis for Opinion**

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects.

Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

#### Definition and Limitations of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2010.

San Francisco, California February 28, 2019

# Sunrun Inc. Consolidated Balance Sheets (In Thousands, Except Share Par Values)

	As of December 31,				
		2018		2017	
				As Recast	
Assets					
Current assets:					
Cash	\$	226,625	\$	202,525	
Restricted cash		77,626		39,265	
Accounts receivable (net of allowances for doubtful accounts of \$2,228 and \$1,665		00.405		00.050	
as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively)		66,435		60,359	
State tax credits receivable		2,697		11,085	
Inventories		79,467		94,427	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		8,563		9,202	
Total current assets		461,413		416,863	
Restricted cash		148		_	
Solar energy systems, net		3,820,017		3,161,570	
Property and equipment, net		34,893		36,402	
Intangible assets, net		10,088		14,294	
Goodwill		87,543		87,543	
Other assets		335,685		246,464	
Total assets <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	4,749,787	\$	3,963,136	
Liabilities and total equity					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	131,278	\$	115,193	
Distributions payable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests		15,847		13,583	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		98,636		97,230	
Deferred revenue, current portion		47,407		42,609	
Deferred grants, current portion		7,885		8,193	
Finance lease obligations, current portion		9,193		7,421	
Non-recourse debt, current portion		35,484		21,529	
Pass-through financing obligation, current portion		26,461		5,387	
Total current liabilities		372,191		311,145	
Deferred revenue, net of current portion		544,218		522,243	
Deferred grants, net of current portion		221,739		227,519	
Finance lease obligations, net of current portion		9,992		5,811	
Recourse debt		247,000		247,000	
Non-recourse debt, net of current portion		1,466,438		1,026,416	
Pass-through financing obligation, net of current portion		337,282		132,823	
Other liabilities		48,210		42,743	
Deferred tax liabilities		93,633		83,119	
Total liabilities <sup>(1)</sup>		3,340,703		2,598,819	
Commitments and contingencies (Note 20)		2,2 :2,: 22		_,,,,	
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		126,302		123,801	
Stockholders' equity:		120,002		120,001	
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value—authorized, 200,000 shares as of					
December 31, 2018 and 2017; no shares issued and outstanding					
as of December 31, 2018 and 2017				_	
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value—authorized, 2,000,000 shares as of					
December 31, 2018 and 2017; issued and outstanding, 113,149 and		11		11	
107,350 shares as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively					
Additional paid-in capital		722,429		682,950	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(3,124)		(4,113)	
Retained earnings		229,391		202,734	
Total stockholders' equity		948,707		881,582	
Noncontrolling interests		334,075		358,934	
Total equity		1,282,782		1,240,516	
Total liabilities, redeemable noncontrolling interests and total equity	\$	4,749,787	\$	3,963,136	

The Company's consolidated assets as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 include \$2,905,295 and \$2,568,378, respectively, in assets of variable interest entities, or "VIEs", that can only be used to settle obligations of the VIEs. Solar energy systems, net, as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 were \$2,712,377 and \$2,385,329, respectively; cash as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 were \$105,494 and \$118,352, respectively; restricted cash as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 were \$2,071 and \$2,699, respectively; accounts receivable, net as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 were \$18,539 and \$18,786, respectively; prepaid expenses and other current assets as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 were \$387 and \$917, respectively and other assets as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 were \$66,427 and \$42,295, respectively. The Company's consolidated liabilities as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 include \$660,758 and \$677,955, respectively, in liabilities of VIEs whose creditors have no recourse to the Company. These liabilities include accounts payable as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 of \$12,136 and \$15,929, respectively; distributions payable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 of \$15,797 and \$13,526, respectively; accrued expenses and other liabilities as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 of \$7,122 and \$5,200, respectively; deferred revenue as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 of \$396,920 and \$409,761, respectively; deferred grants as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 of \$29,229 and \$30,406, respectively; non-recourse debt as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 of \$190,711 and \$201,285, respectively; and other liabilities as of December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 of \$8,843 thousand and \$1,848, respectively.

Sunrun Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Operations
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Year Ended December 31,									
		2018		2017		2016				
			Α	s Recast	Α	s Recast				
Revenue:										
Customer agreements and incentives	\$	404,466	\$	234,276	\$	191,626				
Solar energy systems and product sales		355,515		298,266		285,481				
Total revenue		759,981		532,542		477,107				
Operating expenses:										
Cost of customer agreements and incentives		240,857		186,435		154,244				
Cost of solar energy systems and product sales		294,066		254,131		239,381				
Sales and marketing		207,232		146,426		168,737				
Research and development		18,844		15,079		10,199				
General and administrative		116,659		107,400		92,416				
Amortization of intangible assets		4,204		4,204		4,206				
Total operating expenses		881,862		713,675		669,183				
Loss from operations		(121,881)		(181,133)		(192,076)				
Interest expense, net		131,771		92,255		73,340				
Other (income) expenses, net		(2,788)		1,874		(840)				
Loss before income taxes		(250,864)		(275,262)		(264,576)				
Income tax expense		9,322		12,353		56,263				
Net loss		(260,186)		(287,615)		(320,839)				
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests		(286,843)		(413,104)		(395,968)				
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	26,657	\$	125,489	\$	75,129				
Net income per share attributable to common stockholders										
Basic	\$	0.24	\$	1.19	\$	0.73				
Diluted	\$	0.23	\$	1.16	\$	0.72				
Weighted average shares used to compute net income per share attributable to common stockholders										
Basic		110,089		105,432		102,367				
Diluted		117,112		108,206		104,964				

Sunrun Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income
(In Thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,									
	2018			2017		2016				
			Α	s Recast	As Recast					
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	26,657	\$	125,489	\$	75,129				
Unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives, net of income taxes		6,187		(5,694)		335				
Interest (expense) income on derivatives recognized into earnings, net of income taxes		(5,198)		1,144		1,023				
Other comprehensive income (loss)		989		(4,550)		1,358				
Comprehensive income	\$	27,646	\$	120,939	\$	76,487				

# Consolidated Statements of Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests and Stockholders' Equity (In Thousands)

	Padaamahla	Preferre	ed Stock	Commo	Common Stock		Additional	A	ccumulated		etained		Total			
	Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amou	nt	Additional Paid-In Capital		Other mprehensive come (Loss)	(Acc	arnings cumulated Deficit)	Sto	Total ockholders' Equity		controlling nterests	Total Equity
Balance at December 31, 2015 (as reported)	\$ 147,139	_	\$ —	101,282	\$	10	\$ 642,229	\$	(921)	\$	(87,249)	\$	554,069	\$	105,491	\$ 659,560
Cumulative effect of adoption of new ASUs (No. 2014-09 and No. 2016-02)	5,710	_	_	_		_	_		_		86,368		86,368		93	86,461
Balance at December 31, 2015 (as recast)	\$ 152,849	_	<u> </u>	101,282	\$	10	\$ 642,229	\$	(921)	<u> </u>	(881)	\$	640,437	\$	105,584	\$ 746,021
Exercise of stock options	_	_	_	1,852		_	5,416				`_		5,416		_	5,416
Issuance of restricted stock units, net of tax withholdings	_	_	_	422		_	(381)		_		_		(381)		_	(381)
Shares issued in connection with the Employee Stock Purchase Plan	_	_	_	515		_	2,432		_		_		2,432		_	2,432
Stock-based compensation	_	_	_	_		_	18,817		_		_		18,817		_	18,817
Contributions from noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests	123,023	_	_	_		_	_		_		_		_		450,519	450,519
Distributions to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests	(13,606)	_	_	_		_	_		_		_		_		(28,448)	(28,448)
Issuance of shares due to business acquisition in 2015	_	_	_	250		_	_		_		_		_		_	_
Offering costs in connection with underwritten public offering	_	_	_	_		_	(437)		_		_		(437)		_	(437)
Net (loss) income	(121,270)	_	_	_		_	_		_		75,129		75,129		(274,698)	(199,569)
Other comprehensive income, net of taxes		_				_			1,358		_		1,358			1,358
Balance - December 31, 2016 (as recast)	\$ 140,996	_	\$ -	104,321	\$	10	\$ 668,076	\$	437	\$	74,248	\$	742,771	\$	252,957	\$ 995,728
Cumulative effect of adoption of new ASU's (No. 2016-13 and No. 2016-16)	_	_	_	_		_	_		_		2,996		2,996		_	2,996
Exercise of stock options	_	_	_	686		-	1,984		_		_		1,984		_	1,984
Issuance of restricted stock units, net of tax withholdings	_	_	_	1,115		_	(3,569)		_		_		(3,569)		_	(3,569)
Shares issued in connection with the Employee Stock Purchase Plan	_	_	_	628		1	2,619		_		_		2,620		_	2,620
Stock-based compensation	_	_	_	_		_	22,088		_		_		22,088		_	22,088
Acquisition of noncontrolling interests	(37,919)	_	_	_		_	(8,248)		_		_		(8,248)		(405)	(8,653)
Contributions from noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests	128,052	_	_	_		_	_		_		_		_		469,617	469,617
Distributions to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests	(14,769)	_	_	_		_	_		_		_		_		(42,690)	(42,690)
Issuance of shares due to business acquisition in 2015	_	_	_	600		_	_		_		_		_		_	_
Net (loss) income	(92,559)	-	_	_		_	_		_		125,490		125,490		(320,545)	(195,055)
Other comprehensive loss, net of taxes						_			(4,550)			_	(4,550)			(4,550)
Balance - December 31, 2017 (as recast)	\$ 123,801	_	\$ —	107,350	\$	11	\$ 682,950	\$	(4,113)	\$	202,734	\$	881,582	\$	358,934	\$1,240,516
Cumulative effect of adoption of new ASU (No. 2017-12)	_	_	_	_		_	_		1,992		_		1,992		_	1,992
Exercise of stock options	_	_	_	3,271		_	17,178		_		_		17,178		_	17,178
Issuance of restricted stock units, net of tax withholdings	_	_	_	1,614		_	(10,102)		_		_		(10,102)		_	(10,102)
Shares issued in connection with the Employee Stock Purchase Plan	_	_	_	914		_	4,546		_		_		4,546		_	4,546
Stock-based compensation	_	_	_	_		_	27,857		_		_		27,857		_	27,857
Contributions from noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests	111,125	_	_	_		_	_		_		_		_		234,022	234,022
Distributions to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests	(11,057)	_	_	_		_	_		_		_		_		(69,605)	(69,605)
Net (loss) income	(97,567)	-	_	_		_	_		_		26,657		26,657		(189,276)	(162,619)
Other comprehensive loss, net of taxes						_			(1,003)				(1,003)	_		(1,003)
Balance - December 31, 2018	\$ 126,302		<u> </u>	113,149	\$	11	\$ 722,429	\$	(3,124)	\$	229,391	\$	948,707	\$	334,075	\$1,282,782

# Sunrun Inc. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (In Thousands)

		Ye	31,	1,		
		2018	2017		2016	
			As Recast		As Recast	
Operating activities:						
Net loss	\$	(260,186)	\$ (287,615)	\$	(320,839)	
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:						
Depreciation and amortization, net of amortization of deferred grants		156,007	128,687		98,493	
Deferred income taxes		9,322	12,353		56,263	
Stock-based compensation expense		27,856	22,042		18,723	
Interest on pass-through financing obligations		19,205	12,629		12,757	
Reduction in pass-through financing obligations		(25,005)	(18,295)		(44,913)	
Other noncash losses and expenses		25,484	24,471		15,705	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:						
Accounts receivable		(5,707)	(9,409)		(1,973)	
Inventories		14,960	(27,101)		4,042	
Prepaid and other assets		(75,924)	(51,633)		(52,226)	
Accounts payable		8,848	47,837		(40,336)	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		15,286	9,219		24,868	
Deferred revenue		27,393	40,712		29,295	
Net cash used in operating activities		(62,461)	(96,103)		(200,141)	
Investing activities:						
Payments for the costs of solar energy systems		(806,365)	(769,363)		(678,258)	
Purchases of property and equipment		(4,951)	(7,956)		(12,544)	
Business acquisition		_	_		(5,000)	
Net cash used in investing activities		(811,316)	(777,319)	_	(695,802)	
Financing activities:			, ,		, , ,	
Proceeds from state tax credits, net of recapture		10,887	13,773		9,081	
Proceeds from issuance of recourse debt		17,000	170,400		458,400	
Repayment of recourse debt		(17,000)	(167,400)		(411,400)	
Proceeds from issuance of non-recourse debt		980,544	748,806		335,666	
Repayment of non-recourse debt		(517,594)	(362,763)		(23,076)	
Payment of debt fees		(24,849)	(14,392)		(13,741)	
Proceeds from pass-through financing and other obligations		217,082	6,221		16,047	
Payment of finance lease obligations		(9,025)	(9,836)		(12,759)	
Contributions received from noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests		345,147	594,921		573,542	
Distributions paid to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests		(78,398)	(54,530)		(39,542)	
Acquisition of noncontrolling interests		_	(35,386)		_	
Proceeds from exercises of stock options, net of withholding taxes paid on restricted stock units		12,592	1,035		7,364	
Offering costs paid related to initial public offering		_	_		(437)	
Net cash provided by financing activities		936,386	890,849		899,145	
Net change in cash and restricted cash		62,609	17,427		3,202	
Cash and restricted cash, beginning of period		241,790	224,363		221,161	
Cash and restricted cash, end of period	\$	304,399	\$ 241,790	\$	224,363	
Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information				_		
Cash paid for interest	\$	76,313	\$ 42,194	\$	26,191	
Cash paid for taxes	\$		\$ 	\$		
Supplemental disclosures of noncash investing and financing activities						
Purchases of solar energy systems and property and equipment included in accounts payable	•	a= :		_		
and accrued expenses	\$	27,169	\$ 19,625	\$	18,547	
Purchases of solar energy systems included in non-recourse debt	\$		\$ 12,873	\$		
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for finance lease liabilities	\$	14,302	\$ 650	\$	12,961	

# **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

# Note 1. Organization

Sunrun Inc. ("Sunrun" or the "Company") was originally formed in 2007 as a California limited liability company, and was converted into a Delaware corporation in 2008. The Company is engaged in the design, development, installation, sale, ownership and maintenance of residential solar energy systems ("Projects") in the United States.

Sunrun acquires customers directly and through relationships with various solar and strategic partners ("Partners"). The Projects are constructed either by Sunrun or by Sunrun's Partners and are owned by the Company. Sunrun's customers enter into an agreement to utilize the solar system ("Customer Agreement") which typically has an initial term of 20 or 25 years. Sunrun monitors, maintains and insures the Projects. The Company also sells solar energy systems and products, such as panels and racking and solar leads generated to customers.

The Company has formed various subsidiaries ("Funds") to finance the development of Projects. These Funds, structured as limited liability companies, obtain financing from outside investors and purchase or lease Projects from Sunrun under master purchase or master lease agreements. The Company currently utilizes three legal structures in its investment Funds, which are referred to as: (i) pass-through financing obligations, (ii) partnership-flips and (iii) joint venture ("JV") inverted leases.

# Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

# **Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation**

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and reflect the accounts and operations of the Company and those of its subsidiaries, including Funds, in which the Company has a controlling financial interest. The typical condition for a controlling financial interest ownership is holding a majority of the voting interests of an entity. However, a controlling financial interest may also exist in entities, such as variable interest entities ("VIEs"), through arrangements that do not involve controlling voting interests. In accordance with the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification Topic 810 ("ASC 810") Consolidation, the Company consolidates any VIE of which it is the primary beneficiary. The primary beneficiary, as defined in ASC 810, is the party that has (1) the power to direct the activities of a VIE that most significantly impact the VIE's economic performance and (2) the obligation to absorb the losses of the VIE or the right to receive benefits from the VIE that could potentially be significant to the VIE. The Company evaluates its relationships with its VIEs on an ongoing basis to determine whether it continues to be the primary beneficiary. The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets and liabilities of VIEs that are consolidated. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

# Reclassifications

Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to current period presentation.

# **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. The Company regularly makes estimates and assumptions, including, but not limited to, revenue recognition constraints that result in variable consideration, the discount rate used to adjust the promised amount of consideration for the effects of a significant financing component, the estimates that affect the collectability of accounts receivable, the valuation of inventories, the useful lives of solar energy systems, the useful lives of property and equipment, the valuation and useful lives of intangible assets, the effective interest rate used to amortize pass-through financing obligations, the discount rate uses for operating and financing leases, the valuation of stock-based compensation, the determination of valuation allowances associated with deferred tax assets, the fair value of debt instruments disclosed and the redemption value of redeemable noncontrolling interests. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions believed to be reasonable. Actual results may differ from such estimates.

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements — Continued

# **Segment Information**

The Company has one operating segment with one business activity, providing solar energy services and products to customers. The Company's chief operating decision maker ("CODM") is its Chief Executive Officer, who manages operations on a consolidated basis for purposes of allocating resources. When evaluating performance and allocating resources, the CODM reviews financial information presented on a consolidated basis.

Revenues from external customers (including, but not limited to homeowners) for each group of similar products and services is as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,									
	2018			2017		2016				
Customer agreements	\$	272,672	\$	210,753	\$	155,870				
Incentives		131,794		23,523		35,756				
Customer agreements and incentives		404,466		234,276		191,626				
Solar energy systems		186,512		113,953		127,727				
Products		169,003		184,313		157,754				
Solar energy systems and product sales		355,515		298,266		285,481				
Total revenue	\$	759,981	\$	532,542	\$	477,107				

Revenue from Customer Agreements includes payments by customers for the use of the system as well as utility and other rebates assigned by the customer to the Company in the Customer Agreement. Revenue from incentives includes revenue from the sale of investment tax credits ("ITCs") and renewable energy credits ("SRECs").

#### **Cash and Restricted Cash**

Cash consists of bank deposits held in checking and savings accounts. The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Company has exposure to credit risk to the extent cash balances exceed amounts covered by federal deposit insurance. The Company believes that its credit risk is not significant.

Restricted cash represents amounts related to obligations under certain financing transactions and future replacement of solar energy system components.

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash, and restricted cash reported within the consolidated balance sheets that sum to the total of the same such amounts shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows. Cash and restricted cash consists of the following (in thousands):

	December 31,							
	2018			2017		2016		
Cash	\$	226,625	\$	202,525	\$	206,364		
Restricted cash, current and long-term		77,774		39,265		17,999		
Total	\$	304,399	\$	241,790	\$	224,363		

#### **Accounts Receivable**

Accounts receivable consist of amounts due from customers as well as state and utility rebates due from government agencies and utility companies. Under Customer Agreements, the customers typically assign incentive rebates to the Company.

Accounts receivable are recorded at net realizable value. The Company maintains allowances for the applicable portion of receivables when collection becomes doubtful. The Company estimates anticipated losses from doubtful accounts based upon the expected collectability of all accounts receivables, which takes into account the number of days past due, collection history, identification of specific customer exposure, and current economic

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements — Continued

trends. Once a receivable is deemed to be uncollectible, it is written off. In 2018, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded provisions for bad debt expense of \$3.4 million, \$2.1 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, and wrote-off uncollectible receivables of \$2.8 million, \$1.6 million and \$1.8 million, respectively.

Accounts receivable, net consists of the following (in thousands):

	December 31,						
			2017				
Customer receivables	\$	64,180	\$	59,263			
Other receivables		1,466		1,319			
Rebates receivable		3,017		1,442			
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(2,228)		(1,665)			
Total	\$	66,435	\$	60,359			

#### State Tax Credits Receivable

State tax credits receivable are recognized upon submission of the state income tax return.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value on a first-in, first-out basis. Inventories consist of raw materials such as photovoltaic panels, inverters and mounting hardware as well as miscellaneous electrical components that are sold as-is by the distribution operations and used in installations and work-in-process. Work-in-process primarily relates to solar energy systems that will be sold to customers, which are partially installed and have yet to pass inspection by the responsible city or utility department. For solar energy systems where the Company performs the installation, the Company commences transferring component parts from inventories to construction-in-progress, a component of solar energy systems, once a lease contract with a lease customer has been executed and the component parts have been assigned to a specific project. Additional costs incurred including labor and overhead are recorded within construction in progress.

The Company periodically reviews inventories for unusable and obsolete items based on assumptions about future demand and market conditions. Based on this evaluation, provisions are made to write inventories down to their market value.

# Solar Energy Systems, net

The Company records solar energy systems subject to signed Customer Agreements and solar energy systems that are under installation as solar energy systems, net on its consolidated balance sheet. Solar energy systems, net is comprised of system equipment costs related to solar energy systems, less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Depreciation on solar energy systems is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the systems of 35 years. Prior to the fourth quarter of 2016, the Company calculated depreciation on solar energy systems on a straight-line basis to their estimated residual values over the estimated useful lives of systems, which was expected to be 20 years. The Company revised the estimated useful life of solar energy systems in the fourth quarter of 2016, as the Company reviewed its assumptions and concluded that customers are more likely to renew their lease rather than purchase the solar energy system at the end of the lease term. The impact of the change in estimate was immaterial for 2016 and future periods. The Company periodically reviews its estimated useful life and recognizes changes in estimates by prospectively adjusting depreciation expense. Inverters and batteries are depreciated over their estimated useful life of 10 years.

Solar energy systems under construction will be depreciated as solar energy systems subject to signed Customer Agreements when the respective systems are completed and interconnected.

# Property and Equipment, net

Property and equipment, net consists of leasehold improvements, furniture, computer hardware and software, machinery and equipment and automobiles. All property and equipment are stated at historical cost net of accumulated depreciation. Repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

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Property and equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the following periods:

Leasehold improvements Lesser of 6 years or lease term

Furniture 5 years Computer hardware and software 3 years

Machinery and equipment 5 years or lease term

Automobiles Lease term

# **Capitalization of Software Costs**

For costs incurred in the development of internal use software, the Company capitalizes costs incurred during the application development stage. Costs related to preliminary project activities and post implementation activities are expensed as incurred. Internal use software is amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life. Additional costs of \$2.5 million, \$6.1 million and \$4.9 million were capitalized in 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

# Intangible Assets, net

Finite-lived intangible assets are initially recorded at fair value and are subsequently presented net of accumulated amortization. Intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Customer relationships 6-10 years
Developed technology 5 years
Trade names 5-8 years

# **Impairment of Long-Lived Assets**

The carrying amounts of the Company's long-lived assets, including solar energy systems and intangible assets subject to depreciation and amortization, are periodically reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of these assets may not be recoverable or that the useful life is shorter than originally estimated. Factors that are considered in deciding when to perform an impairment review would include significant negative industry or economic trends and significant changes or planned changes in the use of the assets. Recoverability of these assets is measured by comparison of the carrying amount of each asset group to the future undiscounted cash flows the asset group is expected to generate over its remaining life. If the asset group is considered to be impaired, the amount of any impairment is measured as the difference between the carrying value and the fair value of the impaired asset group. If the useful life is shorter than originally estimated, the Company amortizes the remaining carrying value over the new shorter useful life. The Company has recognized no material impairments of its long-lived assets in any of the periods presented.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Goodwill is reviewed for impairment at least annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may be impaired. The Company has determined that it operates as one reporting unit and the Company's goodwill is recorded at the enterprise level. The Company performs its annual impairment test of goodwill on October 1 of each fiscal year or whenever events or circumstances change or occur that would indicate that goodwill might be impaired. When assessing goodwill for impairment, the Company uses qualitative and if necessary, quantitative methods in accordance with FASB ASC Topic 350, *Goodwill*. The Company also considers its enterprise value and if necessary, discounted cash flow model, which involves assumptions and estimates, including the Company's future financial performance, weighted average cost of capital and interpretation of currently enacted tax laws.

Circumstances that could indicate impairment and require the Company to perform a quantitative impairment test include a significant decline in the Company's financial results, a significant decline in the Company's enterprise value relative to its net book value, an unanticipated change in competition or the Company's market share and a

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significant change in the Company's strategic plans. As of October 1, 2018, the Company concluded that the fair value of the Company exceeded its carrying value.

#### **Deferred Revenue**

When the Company receives consideration, or when such consideration is unconditionally due, from a customer prior to delivering goods or services to the customer under the terms of a Customer Agreement, the Company records deferred revenue. Such deferred revenue consists of amounts for which the criteria for revenue recognition have not yet been met and includes amounts that are collected or assigned from customers, including upfront deposits and prepayments, and rebates. Deferred revenue relating to financing components represents the cumulative excess of interest expense recorded on financing component elements over the related revenue recognized to date and will eventually net to zero by the end of the initial term. Amounts received related to the sales of SRECs which have not yet been delivered to the counterparty are recorded as deferred revenue.

The opening balance of deferred revenue was \$525.4 million as of December 31, 2016. Deferred revenue consists of the following (in thousands):

	December 31,							
	2018			2017				
Under Customer Agreements:								
Payments received	\$	538,926	\$	517,544				
Financing component balance		37,801		30,736				
		576,727		548,280				
Under SREC contracts:								
Payments received		12,977		14,805				
Financing component balance		1,921		1,767				
		14,898		16,572				
Total	\$	591,625	\$	564,852				

In the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, the Company recognized revenue of \$52.9 million, \$47.7 million and \$42.4 million, respectively, from amounts included in deferred revenue at the beginning of the respective periods. Revenue allocated to remaining performance obligations represents contracted revenue that has not yet been recognized and includes deferred revenue as well as amounts that will be invoiced and recognized as revenue in future periods. Contracted but not yet recognized revenue was approximately \$5.3 billion as of December 31, 2018, of which the Company expects to recognize approximately 6% over the next 12 months. The annual recognition is not expected to vary significantly over the next 10 years as the vast majority of existing Customer Agreements have at least 10 years remaining, given that the average age of the Company's fleet of residential solar energy systems under Customer Agreements is less than three years due to the Company being formed in 2007 and having experienced significant growth in the last few years. The annual recognition on these existing contracts will gradually decline over the midpoint of the Customer Agreements as the typically 20 or 25 year initial term expires.

# **Deferred Grants**

Deferred grants consist of U.S. Treasury grants and state tax credits. The Company applied for a renewable energy technologies income tax credit offered by one of the states in the form of a cash payment and deferred the tax credit as a grant on the consolidated balance sheets. The Company records the grants as deferred grants and recognizes the benefit on a straight-line basis over the estimated depreciable life of the associated assets as a reduction in Cost of customer agreements and incentives. As described in the Solar Energy Systems, net section above, the estimated depreciable life of the associated assets was revised from 20 to 35 years in 2016.

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# **Warranty Accrual**

The Company accrues warranty costs when revenue is recognized for solar energy systems sales, based on the estimated future costs of meeting its warranty obligations. Warranty costs primarily consist of replacement costs for supplies and labor costs for service personnel since warranties for equipment and materials are covered by the original manufacturer's warranty (other than a small deductible in certain cases). As such, the warranty reserve is immaterial in all periods presented. The Company makes and revises these estimates based on the number of solar energy systems under warranty, the Company's historical experience with warranty claims, assumptions on warranty claims to occur over a systems' warranty period and the Company's estimated replacement costs.

# **Solar Energy Performance Guarantees**

The Company guarantees to customers certain specified minimum solar energy production output for solar facilities over the initial term of the Customer Agreements. The Company monitors the solar energy systems to determine whether these specified minimum outputs are being achieved. Annually or every two years, depending on the terms of the Customer Agreement, the Company will refund a portion of electricity payments to a customer if his or her solar energy production output was less than the performance guarantee. The Company considers this a variable component that offsets the transaction price.

#### **Derivative Financial Instruments**

The Company recognizes all derivative instruments on the balance sheet at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recorded each period in current earnings or other comprehensive loss if a derivative is designated as part of a hedge transaction. The ineffective portion of the hedge, if any, is immediately recognized in earnings and are included in other expenses (income), net in the consolidated statements of operations.

The Company uses derivative financial instruments, primarily interest rate swaps, to manage its exposure to interest rate risks on its syndicated term loans, which are recognized on the balance sheet at their fair values. On the date that the Company enters into a derivative contract, the Company formally documents all relationships between the hedging instruments and the hedged items, as well as its risk management objective and strategy for undertaking each hedge transaction. Derivative instruments designated in a hedge relationship to mitigate exposure to variability in expected future cash flows, or other types of forecasted transactions, are considered cash flow hedges. Cash flow hedges are accounted for by recording the fair value of the derivative instrument on the balance sheet as either a freestanding asset or liability. Changes in the fair value of a derivative that is designated and qualifies as an effective cash flow hedge are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of tax, until earnings are affected by the variability of cash flows of the hedged item. Any derivative gains and losses that are not effective in hedging the variability of expected cash flows of the hedged item or that do not qualify for hedge accounting treatment are recognized directly into income. At the hedge's inception and at least guarterly thereafter, a formal assessment is performed to determine whether changes in cash flows of the derivative instrument have been highly effective in offsetting changes in the cash flows of the hedged items and whether they are expected to be highly effective in the future. The Company discontinues hedge accounting prospectively when (i) it determines that the derivative is no longer effective in offsetting changes in the cash flows of a hedged item; (ii) the derivative expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised; or (iii) management determines that designating the derivative as a hedging instrument is no longer appropriate. In all situations in which hedge accounting is discontinued and the derivative remains outstanding, the derivative instrument is carried at its fair market value on the balance sheet with the changes in fair value recognized in current period earnings. The remaining balance in accumulated other comprehensive loss associated with the derivative that has been discontinued is not recognized in the income statement unless it is probable that the forecasted transaction will not occur. Such amounts are recognized in earnings when earnings are affected by the hedged transaction.

# **Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

The Company defines fair value as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or an exit price that would be paid to transfer a liability in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. The Company uses valuation approaches to measure fair value that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The FASB establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements as follows:

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- Level 1—Inputs are unadjusted, quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date:
- Level 2—Inputs are observable, unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, unadjusted quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the related assets or liabilities; and
- Level 3—Inputs that are unobservable, significant to the measurement of the fair value of the assets or liabilities and are supported by little or no market data.

The Company's financial instruments include cash, receivables, accounts payable, accrued expenses, distributions payable to noncontrolling interests, derivatives, and recourse and non-recourse debt.

# **Revenue Recognition**

The Company recognizes revenue when control of goods or services is transferred to its customers, in an amount that reflects the consideration it expected to be entitled to in exchange for those goods or services.

# Customer agreements and incentives

Customer agreements and incentives revenue is primarily comprised of revenue from Customer Agreements in which the Company provides continuous access to a functioning solar system and revenue from the sales of SRECs generated by the Company's solar energy systems to third parties.

The Company begins to recognize revenue on Customer Agreements when permission to operate ("PTO") is given by the local utility company or on the date daily operation commences if utility approval is not required. Revenue recognition does not necessarily follow the receipt of cash. The Company recognizes revenue evenly over the time that it satisfies its performance obligations over the initial term of the Customer Agreements. Customer Agreements typically have an initial term of 20 or 25 years. After the initial contract term, our Customer Agreements typically automatically renew on an annual basis and the rate is initially set at up to a 10% discount to then prevailing power prices.

SREC revenue arises from the sale of environmental credits generated by solar energy systems and is generally recognized upon delivery of the SRECs to the counterparty. For pass-through financing obligation Funds, the value attributable to the monetization of ITCs are recognized in the period a solar system is granted PTO - see Note 14, *Pass-through Financing Obligations*.

In determining the transaction price, the Company adjusts the promised amount of consideration for the effects of the time value of money when the timing of payments provides it with a significant benefit of financing the transfer of goods or services to the customer. In those circumstances, the contract contains a significant financing component. When adjusting the promised amount of consideration for a significant financing component, the Company uses the discount rate that would be reflected in a separate financing transaction between the entity and its customer at contract inception and recognizes the revenue amount on a straight-line basis over the term of the Customer Agreement, and interest expense using the effective interest rate method.

Consideration from customers is considered variable due to the performance guarantee under Customer Agreements and liquidating damage provisions under SREC contracts in the event minimum deliveries are not achieved. Performance guarantees provide a credit to the customer if the system's cumulative production, as measured on various PTO anniversary dates, is below the Company's guarantee of a specified minimum. Revenue is recognized to the extent it is probable that a significant reversal of such revenue will not occur.

The Company capitalizes incremental costs incurred to obtain a contract in Other Assets in the consolidated balance sheets. These amounts are amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the Customer Agreements, and are included in Sales and marketing in the consolidated statements of operations.

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# Solar energy systems and product sales

For solar energy systems sold to customers, the Company recognizes revenue when the solar energy system passes inspection by the authority having jurisdiction. The Company's installation projects are typically completed in less than twelve months.

Product sales consist of solar panels, racking systems, inverters, other solar energy products sold to resellers and customer leads. Product sales revenue is recognized at the time when control is transferred, upon shipment. Customer lead revenue, included in product sales, is recognized at the time the lead is delivered.

Taxes assessed by government authorities that are directly imposed on revenue producing transactions are excluded from solar energy systems and product sales.

#### **Cost of Revenue**

# Customer agreements and incentives

Cost of revenue for customer agreements and incentives is primarily comprised of (1) the depreciation of the cost of the solar energy systems, as reduced by amortization of deferred grants, (2) solar energy system operations, monitoring and maintenance costs including associated personnel costs, and (3) allocated corporate overhead costs. Upon adoption of Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* ("Topic 606"), the Company no longer records initial direct costs from the origination of Customer Agreements. Instead, the Company records costs to obtain a contract as described in Revenue Recognition - *Customer agreements and incentives* above.

# Solar energy systems and product sales

Cost of revenue for solar energy systems and non-lead generation product sales consist of direct and indirect material and labor costs for solar energy systems installations and product sales. Also included are engineering and design costs, estimated warranty costs, freight costs, allocated corporate overhead costs, vehicle depreciation costs and personnel costs associated with supply chain, logistics, operations management, safety and quality control. Cost of revenue for lead generations consists of costs related to direct-response advertising activities associated with generating customer leads.

# Research and development Expense

Research and development expenses include personnel costs, allocated overhead costs, and other costs related to the development of our proprietary technology.

# **Stock-Based Compensation**

The Company grants stock options and restricted stock units ("RSUs") for its equity incentive plan and employee stock purchase plan. Stock-based compensation to employees is measured based on the grant date fair value of the awards and recognized over the period during which the employee is required to perform services in exchange for the award (generally the vesting period of the award). The Company estimates the fair value of stock options and employee stock purchase plans awards granted using the Black-Scholes option-valuation model. Compensation cost is recognized over the vesting period of the applicable award using the straight-line method for those options expected to vest.

The Company also grants RSUs to non-employees that vest upon the satisfaction of both performance and service conditions. For RSUs granted to non-employees that vest upon the satisfaction of a performance condition, the Company starts recognizing expense on the RSUs when the performance condition is met.

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# Noncontrolling Interests and Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests

Noncontrolling interests represent investors' interests in the net assets of the Funds that the Company has created to finance the cost of its solar energy systems subject to the Company's Customer Agreements. The Company has determined that the contractual provisions in the funding arrangements represent substantive profit sharing arrangements. The Company has further determined that the appropriate methodology for attributing income and loss to the noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests each period is a balance sheet approach referred to as the hypothetical liquidation at book value ("HLBV") method.

Under the HLBV method, the amounts of income and loss attributed to the noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests in the consolidated statements of operations reflect changes in the amounts the investors would hypothetically receive at each balance sheet date under the liquidation provisions of the contractual agreements of these arrangements, assuming the net assets of these funding structures were liquidated at recorded amounts. The Company's initial calculation of the investor's noncontrolling interest in the results of operations of these funding arrangements is determined as the difference in the noncontrolling interests' claim under the HLBV method at the start and end of each reporting period, after taking into account any capital transactions, such as contributions or distributions, between the Fund and the investors.

The Company classifies certain noncontrolling interests with redemption features that are not solely within the control of the Company outside of permanent equity on its consolidated balance sheets. Redeemable noncontrolling interests are reported using the greater of their carrying value as determined by the HLBV method or their estimated redemption value at each reporting date.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Company recognizes deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the consolidated financial statements and tax returns. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statement and tax basis of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. Valuation allowances are provided against deferred tax assets to the extent that it is more likely than not that the deferred tax asset will not be realized. The Company is subject to the provisions of ASC 740, *Income Taxes*, which establishes consistent thresholds as it relates to accounting for income taxes. It defines the threshold for recognizing the benefits of tax return positions in the financial statements as "more likely than not" to be sustained by the taxing authority and requires measurement of a tax position meeting the more-likely-than-not criterion, based on the largest benefit that is more than 50% likely to be realized. Management has analyzed the Company's inventory of tax positions with respect to all applicable income tax issues for all open tax years (in each respective jurisdiction).

The Company sells solar energy systems to the Funds. As the Funds are consolidated by the Company, the gain on the sale of the solar energy systems is not recognized in the consolidated financial statements. However, this gain is recognized for tax reporting purposes. Since these transactions are intercompany sales, prior to January 1, 2017, any tax expense incurred related to these intercompany sales is deferred and recorded as a prepaid tax asset and amortized over the depreciable life of the underlying solar energy systems which has been estimated to be 35 years in accordance with ASC Topic 810. With the adoption of ASU 2016-16 on January 1, 2017 the Company reversed net prepaid tax assets of \$378.5 million and recorded the gross deferred tax assets associated with the historical intercompany sales of solar energy systems, which in turn reduced the deferred tax liabilities on investment in partnerships by \$378.2 million with the remaining \$0.3 million being recorded as a cumulative effect of adoption in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest and Stockholders' Equity. The adoption did not have an impact on the Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations.

The Company files tax returns as prescribed by the tax laws of the jurisdictions in which it operates. In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to examination by federal, state and local jurisdictions, where applicable. The statute of limitations for the tax returns varies by jurisdiction.

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#### **Concentrations of Risk**

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and accounts receivable, which includes rebates receivable. The associated risk of concentration for cash is mitigated by banking with institutions with high credit ratings. At certain times, amounts on deposit exceed Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance limits. The Company does not require collateral or other security to support accounts receivable. To reduce credit risk, management performs periodic credit evaluations and ongoing evaluations of its customers' financial condition. Rebates receivable are due from various states and local governments as well as various utility companies. The Company considers the collectability risk of such amounts to be low. The Company is not dependent on any single customer. The Company's customers under Customer Agreements are primarily located in California, Arizona, New Jersey, Hawaii, New York and Massachusetts. The loss of a customer would not adversely impact the Company's operating results or financial position. The Company depends on a limited number of suppliers of solar panels and other system components. During the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, the solar materials purchases from the top five suppliers were approximately \$221.5 million and \$188.8 million, respectively.

# **Recently Issued and Adopted Accounting Standards**

Accounting standards adopted January 1, 2018 causing recast of prior periods:

In May 2014, the FASB issued Topic 606. The standard establishes a single revenue recognition model for all contracts with customers, eliminates industry specific requirements, and expands disclosure requirements. The Company adopted Topic 606 effective January 1, 2018, using the full retrospective method, which required the Company to recast each prior reporting period presented. The Company has elected to use the practical expedient under Topic 606 and has excluded disclosures of transaction prices allocated to remaining performance obligations and when the Company expects to recognize such revenue for all periods prior to the date of initial application.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-02, *Leases*, to replace existing lease guidance with Accounting Standards Codification Topic 842 ("Topic 842"). Topic 842 changes how the definition of a lease is applied and judgment may be required in applying the definition of a lease to certain arrangements. The Company elected to early adopt the standard effective January 1, 2018 concurrent with the adoption of Topic 606 related to revenue recognition, using the modified retrospective approach at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented in the financial statements, which required the Company to recast each prior reporting period presented. In July 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-10, *Codification Improvements to Topic 842*, *Leases*, to clarify how to apply certain aspects of the new leases standard. The clarifications address the rate implicit in the lease, impairment of the net investment in the lease, lessee reassessment of lease classification, lessor reassessment of lease term and purchase options, variable payments that depend on an index or rate and certain transition adjustments. These amendments have the same effective date and transition requirements as the new leases standard, as such the Company adopted the new ASU and the impact of adopting this standard was not material to its financial statements with respect to leases where the Company is the lessee.

Upon the adoption of Topic 842, the Company's Customer Agreements are accounted for under Topic 606 due to changes in the definition of a lease under Topic 842 when the Company was considered a lessor. For operating leases in which the Company is the lessee, the Company concluded that all existing operating leases under Accounting Standards Codification Topic 840 ("Topic 840"), *Leases*, continue to be classified as operating leases under Topic 842, and all existing capital leases under Topic 840 are classified as finance leases under Topic 842. The Company has lease agreements with lease and non-lease components, which are generally accounted for as a single lease component. The Company accounts for short-term leases on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Under Topic 606, total consideration for Customer Agreements, including price escalators and performance guarantees, is estimated and recognized over the term of the Customer Agreement. This accounting for price escalators creates an unbilled receivable balance for the first half of the Customer Agreement, which is then reduced over the second half. Customer Agreements and SRECs with a prepaid element are deemed to include a significant financing component, as defined under Topic 606, which increases both revenue and interest expense. For pass-through financing obligation funds that report investment tax credit revenue, the ITC revenue is now recognized in full at PTO. SREC revenue is estimated net of any variable consideration related to possible

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liquidated damages, and recognized upon delivery of SRECs to the counterparty. The accounting did not materially differ for revenue currently recognized as solar energy systems and product sales. The adoption of Topic 606 also resulted in an adjustment to the Company's deferred tax liabilities, and impacted the analysis of the realizability of deferred tax assets, resulting in the release of valuation allowance related to state deferred tax assets.

In November 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-18, *Statement of Cash Flows* ("Topic 230"), Restricted Cash, which requires a statement of cash flows to present the change during the period in the total of cash, cash equivalents and amounts generally described as restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents. The Company adopted Topic 230 effective January 1, 2018, using the retrospective transition method, which required the Company to recast each prior reporting period presented. As a result, the Company no longer presents transfers between cash and restricted cash in the consolidated cash flow statements.

In August 2017, the FASB issued ASU No. 2017-12, *Derivatives and Hedging*, Targeted Improvements to Accounting for Hedging Activities, which expands an entity's ability to hedge nonfinancial and financial risk components, eliminates the requirement to separately measure and report hedge ineffectiveness, and aligned the recognition and presentation of the effects of hedging instruments in the financial statements. The Company adopted ASU 2017-12 effective October 1, 2018, with the retrospective adjustment applicable to prior periods included as a cumulative-effect adjustment to accumulated other comprehensive loss and retained earnings. The adoption of ASU 2017-12 did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In October 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-16, *Derivatives and Hedging (Topic 815)*, Inclusion of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") Overnight Index Swap ("OIS") Rate as a Benchmark Interest Rate for Hedge Accounting Purposes, which adds the OIS rate based on the SOFR as a benchmark interest rate for hedge accounting purposes. The Company adopted ASU 2018-16 on a prospective basis for qualifying new or redesignated hedging relationships entered into on or after October 1, 2018. The adoption of ASU 2018-16 did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

# Adjustments to Previously Reported Financial Statements from the Adoption of Accounting Standards

The primary impact of adopting Topic 606 and Topic 842 is on the recognition of revenue from Customer Agreements, and certain incentives revenue, namely SRECs and ITCs. Previously, under Topic 840, the Company recognized revenue related to certain Customer Agreements as contingent rent. Under Topic 606, because the Company has a continuous obligation to provide fully functional systems that provide electricity over the term of the Customer Agreement, it recognizes revenue evenly over the term of the Customer Agreements taking into account price escalators and performance guarantees when estimating variable consideration. Previously, the Company recognized revenue related to the sale of SRECs to the extent the cumulative value of delivered SRECs per contract exceeded any possible liquidated damages for non-delivery, if any. Under Topic 606, the Company estimates revenue net of any variable consideration related to possible liquidated damages, and recognizes revenue upon delivery of SRECs to the counterparty. Under Topic 605 and Topic 840, the Company previously reported ITC revenue over five years: following the point at which the related solar system was granted PTO, with one-fifth of the monetized ITCs recognized on each anniversary of the solar energy systems' PTO date. Under Topic 606, the Company recognizes ITC revenue in full at PTO. Previously, under Topic 840, the Company capitalized direct and incremental costs as a component of Solar energy systems, net on the consolidated balance sheets. Under Topic 606, the Company capitalizes incremental costs incurred to obtain a contract in Other Assets in the consolidated balance sheets. These amounts are amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the Customer Agreements, and are included in Sales and marketing in the consolidated statements of operations.

In addition to the impact of revenue recognition related to Customer Agreements, the impact of adopting Topic 842 includes a change in accounting for leases when the Company is the lessee, primarily the inclusion of right-of use ("ROU") assets included in other assets on the consolidated balance sheets, and operating lease liabilities included in accrued expenses and other liabilities and other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets. The income tax impact as a result of the adoption of Topic 842 was immaterial.

The following table presents the effect of the adoption of Topic 606 and Topic 842 on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2017 (in thousands):

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	December 31, 2017							
	As R	eported		doption Impact	A	s Recast		
Accounts receivable, net of allowances for doubtful accounts	\$	76,198	\$	(15,839)	\$	60,359		
Solar energy systems, net	3	,319,708		(158,138)		3,161,570		
Other assets		37,225		209,239		246,464		
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		85,639		11,591		97,230		
Deferred revenue, current portion		77,310		(34,701)		42,609		
Deferred grants, current portion		8,269		(76)		8,193		
Pass-through financing obligation, current portion		6,087		(700)		5,387		
Deferred revenue, net of current portion		584,427		(62,184)		522,243		
Deferred grants, net of current portion		228,603		(1,084)		227,519		
Pass-through financing obligation, net of current portion		138,124		(5,301)		132,823		
Other liabilities		13,520		29,223		42,743		
Deferred tax liabilities		59,131		23,988		83,119		
Redeemable noncontrolling interests		123,737		64		123,801		
Additional paid-in capital		684,141		(1,191)		682,950		
Retained earnings		131,959		70,775		202,734		
Noncontrolling interests		354,076		4,858		358,934		

The following table presents the effect of the adoption of Topic 606 and Topic 842 on the Company's condensed consolidated statement of operations for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 (in thousands except per share amounts):

		Dece	ml	per 31, 20	17	December 31, 2016						
	F	As Reported		doption Impact	As Recast	F	As Reported		doption Impact	As Recast		
Revenue: Customer agreements and incentives	\$	231,433	\$	2,843	\$ 234,276	\$	168,417	\$	23,209	\$ 191,626		
Cost of customer agreements and incentives		193,954		(7,519)	186,435		159,858		(5,614)	154,244		
Sales and marketing		137,115		9,311	146,426		162,781		5,956	168,737		
General and administrative		107,420		(20)	107,400		92,377		39	92,416		
Interest expense, net		70,518		21,737	92,255		53,244		20,096	73,340		
Income tax expense		32,138		(19,785)	12,353		35,993		20,270	56,263		
Net loss		(286,734)		(881)	(287,615)		(303,301)		(17,538)	(320,839)		
Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests		(411,259)		(1,845)	(413,104)		(394,988)		(980)	(395,968)		
Net income attributable to common stockholders		124,525		964	125,489		91,687		(16,558)	75,129		
Basic net income per share attributable to common stockholders		1.18		0.01	1.19		0.90		(0.17)	0.73		
Diluted net income per share attributable to common stockholders		1.15		0.01	1.16		0.87		(0.15)	0.72		

# Sunrun Inc. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements — Continued

The following table presents the effect of the adoption of Topic 230, Topic 606 and Topic 842 on the Company's condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 (in thousands):

	<b>December 31, 2017</b>						Dece	ember 31, 2016			
	As Reported		Adoption Impact		As Recast	As Reported		Adoption Impact	As Recast		
Net loss	\$	(286,734)	\$	(881)	\$(287,615)	\$	(303,301)	\$ (17,538)	\$(320,839)		
Net cash used in operating activities		(61,011)		(35,092)	(96,103)		(150,580)	(49,561)	(200,141)		
Net cash used in investing activities		(812,327)		35,008	(777,319)		(745,112)	49,310	(695,802)		
Net cash provided by financing activities		869,499		21,350	890,849		898,192	953	899,145		
Net change in cash and restricted cash <sup>(1)</sup>		(3,839)		21,266	17,427		2,500	702	3,202		
Cash and restricted cash, beginning of period <sup>(1)</sup>		206,364		17,999	224,363		203,864	17,297	221,161		
Cash and restricted cash, end of period <sup>(1)</sup>		202,525		39,265	241,790		206,364	17,999	224,363		

Pursuant to Topic 230, restricted cash is included in the recasted balances in the statement of cash flows, as described above. The amounts in the previously reported column include only cash.

# Accounting standards to be adopted:

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, *Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, which replaces the current incurred loss impairment methodology with a current expected credit losses model. The amendment applies to entities which hold financial assets and net investment in leases that are not accounted for at fair value through net income as well as loans, debt securities, trade receivables, net investments in leases, off-balance sheet credit exposures, reinsurance receivables and any other financial assets not excluded from the scope that have the contractual right to receive cash. This ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019 and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. Adoption of this ASU is applied using a modified retrospective approach, with certain aspects requiring a prospective approach. The Company is currently evaluating this guidance and the impact it may have on the Company's consolidated financial statements. In November 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-19, *Codification Improvements to Topic 326*, Financial Instruments- Credit Losses, which clarifies that operating lease receivables are not within the scope of Topic 326, but rather operating lease receivables will be tested for impairment under Topic 842.

In June 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-07, *Compensation - Stock Compensation (Topic 718)*, *Improvements to Nonemployee Share-Based Payment Accounting*, which is intended to align the accounting for share-based payment awards issued to employees and nonemployees, however, this amendment does not apply to instruments issued in a financing transaction nor to equity instruments granted to a customer under a contract in the scope of Topic 606. Currently, performance conditions are recognized once the performance conditions are met. Under this new amendment, equity-classified nonemployee share-based payments will be measured at the grant-date fair value and will be recognized based on the probable outcome of the performance conditions. This ASU is effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2018. The Company is currently evaluating this guidance and the impact it may have on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In July 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-09, *Codification Improvements*. This amendment makes changes to a variety of topics to clarify, correct errors in, or make minor improvements to the Accounting Standards Codification. The majority of the amendments in ASU 2018-09 are effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2018. The Company is currently evaluating this guidance and the impact it may have on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-13, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosure Framework-Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement, which modifies the disclosure requirements on fair value measurements as part of its disclosure framework project. Under this amendment, entities will no longer be required to disclose the amount of and reasons for transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. However, for Level 3 fair value measurements, disclosures around the range and weighted average used to develop significant unobservable inputs will be required. This ASU is effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2019. The Company is currently evaluating this guidance and the impact it may have on the Company's consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-15, Intangibles-Goodwill and Other-Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement That Is a Service Contract, which requires a customer in a cloud computing arrangement that is a service contract to follow the internal-use software guidance in Topic 350, Intangibles- Goodwill and Other, to determine which implementation costs to capitalize as assets or expense as incurred. This ASU is effective for annual reporting periods, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2019, and can be applied either prospectively to implementation costs incurred after the date of adoption or retrospectively to all arrangements. The Company is currently evaluating this guidance and the impact it may have on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In August 2018, the Securities and Exchange Commission adopted a Disclosure Update and Simplification release, which outlines Regulation S-X amendments to eliminate outdated or duplicative disclosure requirements. The final rule also amends the interim financial statement requirements to require a reconciliation of changes in stockholders' equity in the notes or as a separate statement. These amendments are effective for all filings made 30 days after the amendments are published in the Federal Register, which was on October 4, 2018. The SEC announced that it would not object if the first presentation of the changes in stockholders' equity for a calendar year end filer were made in the Company's March 31, 2019 Form 10-Q. The Company plans to use the new presentation beginning in 2019.

In October 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-17, *Consolidation (Topic 810)*, Targeted Improvements to Related Party Guidance for Variable Interest Entities, which aligns the evaluation of decision-making fees under the variable interest entity guidance. Under this new guidance, in order to determine whether decision-making fees represent a variable interest, an entity considers indirect interests held through related parties under common control on a proportionate basis. This ASU is effective for annual reporting periods, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2019, and must be applied retrospectively with a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings at the beginning of the earliest period presented. The Company is currently evaluating this guidance and the impact it may have on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

# Note 3. Acquisition

#### Clean Energy Experts, LLC

In April 2015, the Company acquired Clean Energy Experts, LLC, a consumer demand and solar lead generation company, for \$25.0 million in cash and 1.9 million shares of common stock valued at \$19.1 million, net of settlement of a preexisting payable to CEE. Of this amount, \$15.0 million in cash was paid and 1.4 million shares were issued in April 2015. The remaining \$10.0 million in cash and 500,000 shares were paid and issued as follows: \$5.0 million was paid and 250,000 shares were issued in October 2015 and \$5.0 million was paid and 250,000 shares were issued in April 2016. An additional \$8.8 million in cash and 599,999 shares of common stock were issued on April 1, 2017 due to the achievement of certain sales targets as well as continued employment of certain key employees acquired in the transaction, which was recorded as compensation expense. The acquisition is expected to enhance the Company's efficient and consistent access to high-quality leads in existing and new markets.

# Note 4. Fair Value Measurement

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At December 31, 2018 and 2017, the carrying value of receivables, accounts payable, accrued expenses and distributions payable to noncontrolling interests approximates fair value due to their short-term nature and falls under the Level 2 hierarchy. The carrying values and fair values of debt instruments are as follows (in thousands):

		December	31,	December 31, 2017					
	Car	rying Value	F	air Value	Car	rying Value	Fair Value		
Bank line of credit	\$	247,000	\$	247,000	\$	247,000	\$	247,000	
Senior debt		828,517		828,309		808,455		807,698	
Subordinated debt		273,337		272,937		111,488		111,095	
Securitization debt		400,068		394,756		95,821		96,999	
SREC Loans		<u> </u>				32,181		32,183	
Total	\$	1,748,922	\$	1,743,002	\$	1,294,945	\$	1,294,975	

At December 31, 2018 and 2017, the fair value of the Company's lines of credit, and certain senior, subordinated, and SREC loans approximate their carrying values because their interest rates are variable rates that approximate rates currently available to the Company. At December 31, 2018 and 2017, the fair value of the Company's other debt instruments are based on rates currently offered for debt with similar maturities and terms. The Company's fair value of the debt instruments fell under the Level 2 hierarchy. These valuation approaches involve some level of management estimation and judgment, the degree of which is dependent on the price transparency for the instruments or market.

The Company determines the fair value of its interest rate swaps using a discounted cash flow model that incorporates an assessment of the risk of non-performance by the interest rate swap counterparty and an evaluation of the Company's credit risk in valuing derivative instruments. The valuation model uses various inputs including contractual terms, interest rate curves, credit spreads and measures of volatility.

At December 31, 2018 and 2017, financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis, based upon the fair value hierarchy are as follows (in thousands):

		December 31, 2018					
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total			
Derivative assets:							
Interest rate swaps		6,958		\$ 6,958			
Total	<u> </u>	\$ 6,958	\$ —	\$ 6,958			
Derivative liabilities:							
Interest rate swaps	_	11,910	_	\$ 11,910			
Total	\$ —	\$ 11,910	\$ —	\$ 11,910			
		Decembe	r 31, 2017				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total			
Derivative assets:							
Interest rate swaps		1,917		\$ 1,917			
Total	<u> </u>	\$ 1,917	<u>\$</u>	\$ 1,917			
Derivative liabilities:							
Interest rate swaps		8,568		\$ 8,568			
interest rate swaps		0,500	_	φ 0,500			
Total	<u> </u>	\$ 8,568	<u> </u>	\$ 8,568			

#### Note 5. Inventories

Inventories consist of the following (in thousands):

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	 December 31,				
	2018 2017				
Raw materials	\$ 64,256	\$	87,927		
Work-in-process	 15,211		6,500		
Total	\$ 79,467	\$	94,427		

# Note 6. Solar Energy Systems, net

Solar energy systems, net consists of the following (in thousands):

	December 31,				
		2018		2017	
Solar energy system equipment costs	\$	3,823,853	\$	3,124,407	
Inverters		396,054		317,390	
Total solar energy systems		4,219,907		3,441,797	
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization		(535,891)		(399,280)	
Add: construction-in-progress		136,001		119,053	
Total solar energy systems, net	\$	3,820,017	\$	3,161,570	

All solar energy systems, including construction-in-progress, have been leased to or are subject to signed Customer Agreements with customers. The Company recorded depreciation expense related to solar energy systems of \$139.2 million, \$112.8 million and \$87.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The depreciation expense was reduced by the amortization of deferred grants of \$7.8 million, \$7.6 million and \$13.0 million for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

# Note 7. Property and Equipment, net

Property and equipment, net consists of the following (in thousands):

	December 31,			
		2018		2017
Machinery and equipment	\$	6,888	\$	4,126
Leasehold improvements, furniture, and computer hardware		14,755		13,709
Vehicles		55,093		43,413
Computer software		32,768		30,483
Total property and equipment		109,504		91,731
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization		(74,611)		(55,329)
Total property and equipment, net	\$	34,893	\$	36,402

Depreciation and amortization expense was \$20.4 million, \$19.5 million and \$18.8 million for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

# Note 8. Goodwill and Intangible Assets, net

The goodwill and intangible assets were acquired as part of the acquisition of Mainstream Energy Corporation, which included AEE Solar and its racking business SnapNrack, and Clean Energy Experts, LLC.

The Company performs its annual impairment test of goodwill on October 1 of each fiscal year or whenever events or circumstances change or occur that would indicate that goodwill might be impaired. The Company has determined that it has one reporting unit.

There was no impairment of goodwill during the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Intangible assets, net as of December 31, 2018 consist of the following (in thousands, except weighted average remaining life):

	 Cost	cumulated ortization	Carrying value	Weighted average remaining life (in years)
Customer relationships	\$ 14,660	\$ (7,716)	\$ 6,944	4.6
Developed technology	6,820	(5,328)	1,492	1.2
Trade names	6,990	(5,338)	1,652	4.1
Total	\$ 28,470	\$ (18,382)	\$ 10,088	

Intangible assets, net as of December 31, 2017 consist of the following (in thousands, except weighted average remaining life):

	 Cost	cumulated ortization	Carrying value	Weighted average remaining life (in years)
Customer relationships	\$ 14,660	\$ (6,017)	\$ 8,643	5.5
Developed technology	6,820	(3,963)	2,857	2.2
Trade names	6,990	(4,196)	2,794	4.0
Total	\$ 28,470	\$ (14,176)	\$ 14,294	
	\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	2

The Company recorded amortization of intangible assets expense of \$4.2 million, \$4.2 million and \$4.2 million for the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively. As of December 31, 2018, expected amortization of intangible assets for each of the five succeeding fiscal years and thereafter is as follows (in thousands):

2019	\$ 3,3	335
2020	2,1	143
2021	1,7	750
2022	1,7	743
2023	1,0	049
Thereafter		68
Total	\$ 10,0	)88

# Note 9. Other Assets

Other assets consist of the following (in thousands):

Costs to obtain contracts         \$ 219,307         \$ 157,970           Accumulated amortization of costs to obtain contracts         (24,992)         (16,485)           Unbilled receivables         81,703         51,710           Operating lease right-of-use assets         20,257         25,465           Other assets         39,410         27,804           Total         \$ 325,695         \$ 246,464		 December 31,			
Accumulated amortization of costs to obtain contracts(24,992)(16,485)Unbilled receivables81,70351,710Operating lease right-of-use assets20,25725,465Other assets39,41027,804		2018	2017		
Unbilled receivables         81,703         51,710           Operating lease right-of-use assets         20,257         25,465           Other assets         39,410         27,804	Costs to obtain contracts	\$ 219,307	157,970		
Operating lease right-of-use assets         20,257         25,465           Other assets         39,410         27,804	Accumulated amortization of costs to obtain contracts	(24,992)	(16,485)		
Other assets 39,410 27,804	Unbilled receivables	81,703	51,710		
	Operating lease right-of-use assets	20,257	25,465		
Total \$ 225.695 \$ 246.464	Other assets	39,410	27,804		
10tal <u>\$ 333,065</u> <del>\$ 240,404</del>	Total	\$ 335,685	246,464		

The Company recorded amortization of costs to obtain contracts of \$8.6 million and \$6.5 million for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, in the sales and marketing expense.

The majority of unbilled receivables arise from fixed price escalators included in our long-term Customer Agreements. The escalator is included in calculating the total estimated transaction value for an individual Customer Agreement. The total estimated transaction value is then recognized over the term of the Customer Agreement. The amount of unbilled receivables increases while cumulative billings for an individual Customer Agreement are less than the cumulative revenue recognized for that Customer Agreement. Conversely, the amount of unbilled receivables decreases when the actual cumulative billings becomes higher than the cumulative revenue recognized. At the end of the initial term of a Customer Agreement, the cumulative amounts recognized as revenue and billed to date are the same, therefore the unbilled receivable balance for an individual Customer Agreement will be zero.

# Note 10. Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities

Accrued expenses and other liabilities consist of the following (in thousands):

	2018		2017
Accrued employee compensation	\$ 39,738	\$	30,298
Operating lease obligations	7,857		9,202
Accrued interest	8,436		6,054
Accrued professional fees	9,199		5,837
Other accrued expenses	33,406		45,839
Total	\$ 98,636	\$	97,230

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# Note 11. Cash Equity Financing

In December 2016, the Company pooled and transferred its interests in certain financing funds into a special purpose entity ("SPE") with a new investor. The Company has determined that the SPE is a variable interest entity and that the Company is the primary beneficiary of the SPE by reference to the power and benefits criterion under ASC 810, *Consolidation*. Accordingly, the Company consolidates the SPE in its consolidated financial statements and accounts for the investor's equity interest in the SPE as a noncontrolling interest (see Note 15, *VIE Arrangements*). The Company did not recognize a gain or loss on the transfer of its interests in the financing funds and continues to consolidate the financing funds. The SPE's assets and cash flows are not available to the other creditors of the Company, and the investor has no recourse to the Company's other assets.

#### Note 12. Indebtedness

As of December 31, 2018, debt consisted of the following (in thousands, except percentages):

	Carrying Values, net of debt discount			Unused Borrowing Interest Capacity Rate (1)			Maturity Date			
	Curr	ent	Long Term		Total					
Recourse debt:										
Bank line of credit	\$	_	\$ 247,000	\$	247,000	\$	406	5.45% - 5.77%	April 2020	
Total recourse debt			247,000		247,000		406			
Non-recourse debt:										
Senior	19	9,070	809,447		828,517		_	4.50% - 5.54%	September 2020 - October 2024	
Subordinated	į	5,824	267,513		273,337		_	7.03% - 10.00%	September 2020 - January 2030	
Securitization Class A	10	0,125	380,299		390,424		_	4.40% - 5.31%	July 2024 - April 2049	
Securitization Class B		465	9,179		9,644		_	5.38%	July 2024	
Total non-recourse debt	35	5,484	1,466,438	1,	,501,922					
Total debt	\$ 35	5,484	\$1,713,438	\$1,	,748,922	\$	406			

<sup>(1)</sup> Reflects contractual, unhedged rates. See Note 13, *Derivatives* for hedge rates.

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As of December 31, 2017, debt consisted of the following (in thousands, except percentages):

	Carrying Values, net of debt discount		et of	Unused Borrowing Capacity		Interest Rate <sup>(1)</sup>	Maturity Date		
	C	Current	Lo	ong Term	Total				
Recourse debt:									
Bank line of credit	\$	_	\$	247,000	\$ 247,000	\$	406	4.58% - 4.87%	April 2018
Total recourse debt				247,000	247,000		406		
Non-recourse debt:									
Senior		3,561		804,894	808,455		12,758	3.63% - 4.69%	September 2020 - October 2024
Subordinated		4,301		107,187	111,488		27	6.36% - 7.13%	September 2020 - October 2024
Securitization Class A		3,534		82,203	85,737		_	4.40%	July 2024
Securitization Class B		440		9,644	10,084		_	5.38%	July 2024
SREC Loans		9,693		22,488	32,181		_	7.28%	July 2021
Total non-recourse debt		21,529		1,026,416	1,047,945		12,785		
Total debt	\$	21,529	\$	1,273,416	\$1,294,945	\$	13,191		

<sup>(1)</sup> Reflects contractual, unhedged rates. See Note 13, *Derivatives* for hedge rates.

# **Bank Line of Credit**

The Company has outstanding borrowings under a syndicated working capital facility with banks for a total commitment of up to \$250.0 million. The working capital facility is secured by substantially all of the unencumbered assets of the Company, as well as ownership interests in certain subsidiaries of the Company. Loans under the facility bear interest at LIBOR +3.25% per annum or the Base Rate +2.25% per annum. The Base Rate is the highest of the Federal Funds Rate +0.50%, the Prime Rate, or LIBOR +1.00%.

Under the terms of the working capital facility, the Company is required to meet various restrictive covenants, such as the completion and presentation of audited consolidated financial statements, maintaining a minimum unencumbered liquidity of at least \$25.0 million at the end of each calendar month, maintaining quarter end liability to be at least \$30.0 million, and maintaining a minimum interest coverage ratio of 3.00 or greater, measured quarterly as of the last day of each quarter. The Company was in compliance with all debt covenants as of December 31, 2018. As of December 31, 2018, the balance under this facility was \$247.0 million with a maturity date in April 2020.

# **Syndicated Credit Facilities**

Each of the Company's syndicated credit facilities contain customary covenants including the requirement to maintain certain financial measurements and provide lender reporting. Each of the syndicated credit facilities also contain certain provisions in the event of default which entitle lenders to take certain actions including acceleration of amounts due under the facilities and acquisition of membership interests and assets that are pledged to the lenders under the terms of the credit facilities. The facilities are non-recourse to the Company and are secured by net cash flows from Customer Agreements less certain operating, maintenance and other expenses which are available to the borrower after distributions to tax equity investors. The Company was in compliance with all debt covenants as of December 31, 2018.

As of December 31, 2018, certain subsidiaries of the Company have an outstanding balance of \$282.7 million on secured credit facilities that were syndicated with various lenders due in October 2024. The credit facilities totaled \$303.0 million and consisted of \$293.0 million in term loans, and a \$10.0 million revolving debt service reserve letter of credit facility. Term Loan A ("TLA") is a senior delayed draw term loan that bears interest at LIBOR +2.75% per annum for LIBOR loans or the Base Rate +1.75% per annum on Base Rate loans. Term Loan B ("TLB") is subordinated debt and consists of a Class A portion which accrues interest at a fixed interest rate of 7.03% per annum and a Class B portion which accrues interest at LIBOR +5.00% per annum or the Base Rate +4.00% per annum. The Base Rate is the highest of the Federal Funds Rate +0.50%, the Prime Rate, or LIBOR

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+1.00%. Under TLA, prepayments are permitted with no penalties. Under TLB, prepayments are permitted with associated penalties ranging from 0% - 5% depending on the timing of prepayments.

As of December 31, 2018, certain subsidiaries of the Company have an outstanding balance of \$184.4 million on senior secured credit facilities that were syndicated with various lenders due in April 2024. These facilities are subject to the National Grid cash equity transaction. The credit facilities totaled \$202.0 million and consisted of a \$195.0 million senior delayed draw term loan facility and a \$7.0 million revolving debt service reserve letter of credit facility. Loans under the facility bear interest at LIBOR +2.25% per annum for the initial four-year period for LIBOR loans or the Base Rate +1.25% per annum for Base Rate Loans. The Base Rate is the highest of the Federal Funds Rate +0.50%, the Prime Rate, or LIBOR +1.00%. The facilities are non-recourse to the Company and are secured by net cash flows from Customer Agreements and SRECs, less certain operating, maintenance and other expenses which are available to the borrower after distributions to tax equity investors. Prepayments are permitted under the delayed draw term loan facility.

As of December 31, 2018, certain subsidiaries of the Company have an outstanding balance of \$316.2 million on secured credit facilities agreements, as amended, with a syndicate of banks due in March 2023. The facilities totaled \$595.0 million and consisted of a revolving aggregation facility ("Aggregation Facility"), a term loan ("Term Loan") and a revolving debt service reserve letter of credit facility. Senior loans under the Aggregation Facility bear interest at LIBOR +2.50% per annum for the initial three-year revolving availability period, stepping up to LIBOR +2.75% per annum in the following two-year period. The subordinated Term Loan bears interest at LIBOR +5.00% per annum for the first three-year period, stepping up to LIBOR +6.50% per annum thereafter. Term Loan prepayment penalties range from 0% - 1% depending on the timing of prepayments.

#### **Senior Debt**

Each of the Company's senior debt facilities contains customary covenants including the requirement to maintain certain financial measurements and provide lender reporting. Each of the senior debt facilities also contain certain provisions in the event of default which entitle lenders to take certain actions including acceleration of amounts due under the facilities and acquisition of membership interests and assets that are pledged to the lenders under the terms of the senior debt facilities. The facilities are non-recourse to the Company and are secured by net cash flows from Customer Agreements less certain operating, maintenance and other expenses which are available to the borrower after distributions to tax equity investors, where applicable. The Company was in compliance with all debt covenants as of December 31, 2018.

As of December 31, 2018, a subsidiary of the Company has an outstanding balance of \$162.4 million on a revolving loan facility due in September 2020. The facility is secured by the assets and related net cash flow of this subsidiary and is non-recourse to the Company's other assets. Loans under the facility bear interest at LIBOR +2.75% per annum for the senior secured loan, and LIBOR +5.50% per annum for the subordinated loan.

As of December 31, 2018, a subsidiary of the Company has an outstanding balance of \$20.8 million on a term loan due in April 2022. The loan is secured by the assets and related net cash flow of this subsidiary and is non-recourse to the Company's other assets.

As of December 31, 2018, a subsidiary of the Company has an outstanding balance of \$16.8 million on a secured, non-recourse loan agreement due in September 2022. The loan will be repaid through cash flows from a lease pass-through arrangement previously entered into by the Company. The loan agreement contains customary covenants including the requirement to maintain certain financial measurements and provide lender reporting. The loan also contains certain provisions in the event of default which entitles the lender to take certain actions including acceleration of amounts due under the loan. Loans under this facility bear interest at LIBOR +2.25% per annum.

As of December 31, 2018, a subsidiary of the Company has an outstanding balance of \$118.6 million on a term loan due in January 2030. The loan is secured by the assets and related net cash flow of this subsidiary and is non-recourse to the Company's other assets.

#### **Securitization Loans**

Each of the Company's securitized loans contains customary covenants including the requirement to provide reporting to the indenture trustee and ratings agencies. Each of the securitized loans also contain certain provisions

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in the event of default which entitle the indenture trustee to take certain actions including acceleration of amounts due under the facilities and acquisition of membership interests and assets that are pledged to the lenders under the terms of the securitized loans. The facilities are non-recourse to the Company and are secured by net cash flows from Customer Agreements less certain operating, maintenance and other expenses which are available to the borrower after distributions to tax equity investors, where applicable. The Company was in compliance with all debt covenants as of December 31, 2018.

As of December 31, 2018, a subsidiary of the Company has an outstanding balance of \$90.2 million on solar asset-backed notes ("Notes") secured by associated customer contracts ("Solar Assets") held by a special purpose entity ("Issuer"). As of December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017, these Solar Assets had a carrying value of \$164.7 million and \$172.8 million, respectively, and are included under solar energy systems, net, in the consolidated balance sheets. The Notes were issued at a discount of 0.08%.

In connection with the transaction, the Company modified two pass-through arrangements with an investor. The modified pass-through arrangements require the majority of the cash flows generated by the Solar Assets to be passed on to the Issuer through monthly payments from the Fund investor. Those cash flows are used to service the monthly principal of the Notes and interest payments and satisfy the Issuer's expenses, and any residual cash flows are retained by the Fund investor and recorded as a reduction in the remaining financing obligation. The Company recognizes revenue earned from the associated Customer Agreements in accordance with the Company's revenue recognition policy. The assets and cash flows generated by the Solar Assets are not available to the other creditors of the Company, and the creditors of the Issuer, including the Note holders, have no recourse to the Company's other assets.

As of December 31, 2018, a subsidiary of the Company has an outstanding balance of \$309.8 million on solar asset-backed notes ("Notes") secured by associated customer contracts ("Solar Assets") held by a special purpose entity ("Issuer"). As of December 31, 2018, these Solar Assets had a carrying value of \$72.0 million and are included under solar energy systems, net, in the consolidated balance sheets. The Notes were issued at a discount of 1.47%. The assets and cash flows generated by the Solar Assets are not available to the other creditors of the Company, and the creditors of the Issuer, including the Note holders, have no recourse to the Company's other assets.

# **Notes Payable**

The scheduled maturities of debt, excluding debt discount, as of December 31, 2018 are as follows (in thousands):

2019	\$ 38,673
2020	418,572
2021	70,425
2022	66,463
2023	277,591
Thereafter	 906,955
Subtotal	 1,778,679
Less: Debt discount	 (29,757)
Total	\$ 1,748,922

# Note 13. Derivatives

#### **Interest Rate Swaps**

The Company uses interest rate swaps to hedge variable interest payments due on certain of its term loans and aggregation facility. These swaps allow the Company to incur fixed interest rates on these loans and receive payments based on variable interest rates with the swap counterparty based on the one or three month LIBOR on the notional amounts over the life of the swaps.

The interest rate swaps have been designated as cash flow hedges. The credit risk adjustment associated with these swaps is the risk of non-performance by the counterparties to the contracts. In the year ended

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December 31, 2018, the hedge relationships on the Company's interest rate swaps have been assessed as highly effective as the critical terms of the interest rate swaps match the critical terms of the underlying forecasted hedged transactions. Accordingly, changes in the fair value of these derivatives are recorded as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income, net of income taxes. Changes in the fair value of these derivatives are subsequently reclassified into earnings, and are included in interest expense, net in the Company's statements of operations, in the period that the hedged forecasted transactions affects earnings.

The following table summarizes the post-tax amount of unrealized gain or loss recognized in Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) ("OCI") in the consolidated statements of redeemable noncontrolling interests and stockholders' equity (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,				31,	
		2018		2017		2016
Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges:						
(Loss) gain in OCI at the beginning of the period	\$	(4,113)	\$	437	\$	(921)
Unrealized gain (loss) recognized in OCI (1)		6,187		(5,694)		335
Less: (Loss) gain reclassified from OCI to earnings (2)		(2,132)		1,144		1,023
Less: Cumulative effect of adoption of new ASU (No. 2017-12) (3)		1,992		_		_
Less: Gain reclassified from OCI to Other expenses (income) in earnings (swap terminations) (4)		(5,058)		_		_
Net gain (loss) on derivatives		989		(4,550)		1,358
(Loss) gain in OCI at the end of the period	\$	(3,124)	\$	(4,113)	\$	437

- Net of tax (expense) benefit of \$(2,415), \$3,611, \$(220) as of December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.
- (2) Net of tax benefit (expense) of \$897, \$(725), \$(644) as of December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, respectively.
- (3) Net of tax (expense) of \$(687) as of December 31, 2018.
- Net of tax benefit of \$1,847 as of December 31, 2018.

During the next 12 months, the Company expects to reclassify \$1.0 million of net gains on derivative instruments from accumulated other comprehensive income to earnings. There were no undesignated derivative instruments recorded by the Company as of December 31, 2018.

The Company's master netting and other similar arrangements allow net settlements under certain conditions. When those conditions are met, the Company presents derivatives at net fair value. As of December 31, 2018, the information related to these offsetting arrangements were as follows (in thousands):

Instrument Description	Re	Amounts of cognized by Liabilities	oss Amounts Offset the Consolidated Balance Sheet	Liabiliti	nounts of Assets / ies Included in the lated Balance Sheet
Assets:					
Derivatives	\$	6,958	\$ (1,605)	\$	5,353
Liabilities:					
Derivatives		(11,910)	1,605		(10,305)
Total	\$	(4,952)	\$ 	\$	(4,952)

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At December 31, 2017, the Company had designated derivative instruments classified as hedges of variable interest payments as derivative assets that are reported in other assets of \$1.9 million and derivative liabilities as reported in other liabilities of \$8.6 million in the Company's balance sheet. At December 31, 2018 the Company had the following derivative instruments (dollars in thousands):

Туре	Quantity	Effective Dates	Maturity Dates	Hedge Interest Rates	Notional Amount	Adjusted Fair Market Value
Interest rate swap	1	5/21/2018	9/20/2020	2.69%	\$ 80,453	\$ (254)
Interest rate swap	1	4/29/2016	8/31/2022	1.27% - 1.29%	13,660	444
Interest rate swaps	10	7/31/2017 - 1/31/2019	4/30/2024 - 10/31/2024	2.16% - 2.69%	346,867	3,201
Interest rate swaps	3	4/30/2021	10/30/2026 - 10/31/2026	2.89% - 3.08%	102,720	(1,895)
Interest rate swap	1	10/22/2018	9/20/2027	2.97%	30,182	(669)
Interest rate swap	1	9/20/2020	6/20/2030	2.57%	67,013	(95)
Interest rate swap	1	9/20/2020	1/20/2031	2.61%	9,899	57
Interest rate swaps	5	1/31/2019 - 10/31/2024	7/31/2034	2.48% - 3.04%	144,379	1,049
Interest rate swaps	5	7/31/2017 - 4/30/2024	7/31/2035	2.56% - 2.95%	151,778	658
Interest rate swaps	5	1/31/2018 - 10/18/2024	10/31/2036	2.62% - 2.95%	183,529	648
Interest rate swaps	4	1/31/2019 - 4/30/2021	4/30/2037	3.25% - 3.30%	150,000	(7,268)
Interest rate swaps	3	10/30/2026 - 10/31/2026	1/31/2038	3.01% - 3.16%	101,135	(828)
Total					\$ 1,381,615	\$ (4,952)

# Note 14. Pass-Through Financing Obligations

The Company's pass-through financing obligations ("financing obligations") arise when the Company leases solar energy systems to Fund investors who are considered commercial customers under a master lease agreement, and these investors in turn are assigned the Customer Agreements with customers. The Company receives all of the value attributable to the accelerated tax depreciation and some or all of the value attributable to the other incentives. Given the assignment of operating cash flows, these arrangements are accounted for as financing obligations. The Company also sells the rights and related value attributable to the ITC to these investors.

Under these financing obligation arrangements, wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company finance the cost of solar energy systems with investors for an initial term of typically 20 or 25 years. The solar energy systems are subject to Customer Agreements with an initial term of typically 20 or 25 years that automatically renew on an annual basis. These solar energy systems are reported under the line item solar energy systems, net in the consolidated balance sheets. As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the cost of the solar energy systems placed in service under the financing obligation arrangements was \$664.1 million and \$464.2 million, respectively. The accumulated depreciation related to these assets as of December 31, 2018 and 2017 was \$82.1 million and \$63.7 million, respectively.

The investors make a series of large up-front payments and in certain cases subsequent smaller quarterly payments (lease payments) to the subsidiaries of the Company. The Company accounts for the payments received from the investors under the financing obligation arrangements as borrowings by recording the proceeds received

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as financing obligations on its consolidated balance sheets, and cash provided by financing activities in its consolidated statement of cash flows. These financing obligations are reduced over a period of approximately 22 years by customer payments under the Customer Agreements, U.S. Treasury grants (where applicable), incentive rebates (where applicable) and proceeds from the contracted resale of SRECs as they are received by the investor. In addition, funds paid for the ITC value upfront are initially recorded as a refund liability and recognized as revenue as the associated solar system reaches PTO. The ITC value is reflected in cash provided by operations on the consolidated statement of cash flows. The Company accounts for the Customer Agreements and any related U.S. Treasury grants or incentive rebates as well as the resale of SRECs consistent with the Company's revenue recognition accounting policies as described in Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.

Interest is calculated on the financing obligations using the effective interest rate method. The effective interest rate, which is adjusted on a prospective basis, is the interest rate that equates the present value of the estimated cash amounts to be received by the investor over the lease term with the present value of the cash amounts paid by the investor to the Company, adjusted for amounts received by the investor. The financing obligations are nonrecourse once the associated assets have been placed in service and all the contractual arrangements have been assigned to the investor.

Under the majority of the financing obligations, the investor has a right to extend its right to receive cash flows from the customers beyond the initial term in certain circumstances. Depending on the arrangement, the Company has the option to settle the outstanding financing obligation on the ninth or eleventh anniversary of the Fund inception at a price equal to the higher of (a) the fair value of future remaining cash flows or (b) the amount that would result in the investor earning their targeted return. In several of these financing obligations, the investor has an option to require repayment of the entire outstanding balance on the tenth anniversary of the Fund inception at a price equal to the fair value of the future remaining cash flows.

In one financing obligation arrangement, the investor has a right, on June 30, 2019, to purchase all of the systems leased at a price equal to the higher of (a) the sum of the present value of the expected remaining lease payments due by the investor, discounted at 5%, and the fair market value of the Company's residual interest in the systems as determined through independent valuation or (b) a set value per kilowatt applied to the aggregate size of all leased systems.

Under all financing obligations, the Company is responsible for services such as warranty support, accounting, lease servicing and performance reporting to customers. As part of the warranty and performance guarantee with the customers, the Company guarantees certain specified minimum annual solar energy production output for the solar energy systems leased to the customers, which the Company accounts for as disclosed in Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies*.

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# Note 15. VIE Arrangements

The Company consolidated various VIEs at December 31, 2018 and 2017. The carrying amounts and classification of the VIEs' assets and liabilities included in the consolidated balance sheets are as follows (in thousands):

	December 31,			
		2018		2017
Assets		_		_
Current assets				
Cash	\$	105,494	\$	118,352
Restricted cash		2,071		2,699
Accounts receivable, net		18,539		18,786
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		387		917
Total current assets		126,491		140,754
Solar energy systems, net		2,712,377		2,385,329
Other assets		66,427		42,295
Total assets	\$	2,905,295	\$	2,568,378
Liabilities		_		
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	12,136	\$	15,929
Distributions payable to noncontrolling interests and redeemable noncontrolling interests		15,797		13,526
Accrued expenses and other liabilities		7,122		5,200
Deferred revenue, current portion		29,102		28,695
Deferred grants, current portion		982		1,021
Non-recourse debt, current portion		4,217		11,179
Total current liabilities		69,356		75,550
Deferred revenue, net of current portion		367,818		381,066
Deferred grants, net of current portion		28,247		29,385
Non-recourse debt, net of current portion		186,494		190,106
Other liabilities		8,843		1,848
Total liabilities	\$	660,758	\$	677,955

The Company holds a variable interest in an entity that provides the noncontrolling interest with a right to terminate the leasehold interests in all of the leased projects on the tenth anniversary of the effective date of the master lease. In this circumstance, the Company would be required to pay the noncontrolling interest an amount equal to the fair market value, as defined in the governing agreement of all leased projects as of that date.

The Company holds certain variable interests in nonconsolidated VIEs established as a result of seven pass-through Fund arrangements as further explained in Note 14, *Pass-Through Financing Obligations*. The Company does not have material exposure to losses as a result of its involvement with the VIEs in excess of the amount of the pass-through financing obligation recorded in the Company's consolidated financial statements. The Company is not considered the primary beneficiary of these VIEs.

# Note 16. Redeemable Noncontrolling Interests

During certain specified periods of time (the "Early Exit Periods"), noncontrolling interests in certain funding arrangements have the right to put all of their membership interests to the Company (the "Put Provisions"). During a specific period of time (the "Call Periods"), the Company has the right to call all membership units of the related redeemable noncontrolling interests.

The carrying value of redeemable noncontrolling interests was greater than the redemption value except for six Funds at both December 31, 2018 and 2017, where the carrying value has been adjusted to the redemption value.

# Note 17. Stockholders' Equity

#### Convertible Preferred Stock

The Company did not have any convertible preferred stock issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2018 and 2017.

The Company has not declared or paid any dividends in 2018, 2017 or 2016.

#### **Common Stock**

The Company has reserved sufficient shares of common stock for issuance upon the exercise of stock options and the exercise of warrants. Common stockholders are entitled to dividends if and when declared by the board of directors, subject to the prior rights of the preferred stockholders. As of December 31, 2018, no common stock dividends had been declared by the board of directors.

The Company has reserved shares of common stock for issuance as follows (in thousands):

	December 31,		
	2018	2017	
Stock plans			
Shares available for grant			
2015 Equity Incentive Plan	11,986	8,857	
2015 Employee Stock Purchase Plan	5,202	3,970	
Options outstanding	13,590	16,268	
Restricted stock units outstanding	4,182	5,330	
Total	34,960	34,425	

# Note 18. Stock-Based Compensation

#### MEC 2009 Stock Plan

In connection with the MEC acquisition in February 2014, the Company assumed nonstatutory stock options granted under the Mainstream Energy Corporation 2009 Stock Plan (the "MEC Plan") held by MEC employees who continued employment with the Company after the closing and converted them into options to purchase shares of the Company's common stock. The MEC Plan was terminated on the closing of the acquisition but the outstanding awards under the MEC Plan that the Company assumed in the acquisition will continue to be governed by their existing terms. As of December 31, 2018, options to purchase 262,971 shares of the Company's common stock remained outstanding under the MEC Plan.

# 2013 Equity Incentive Plan

In July 2013, the Board of Directors approved the 2013 Plan. In March 2015, the Board of Directors authorized an additional 3,000,000 shares reserved for issuance under the 2013 Plan. An aggregate of 4,500,000 shares of common stock are reserved for issuance under the 2013 Plan plus (i) any shares that were reserved but not issued under the plan that was previously in place, and (ii) any shares subject to stock options or similar awards granted under the plan that was previously in place that expire or otherwise terminate without having been exercised in full and shares issued that are forfeited to or repurchased by the Company, with the maximum number of shares to be added to the 2013 Plan pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) equal to 8,044,829 shares. Stock options granted to employees generally have a maximum term of ten-years and vest over a four-year period from the date of grant; 25% vest at the end of one year, and 75% vest monthly over the remaining three years. The options may include provisions permitting exercise of the option prior to full vesting. Any unvested shares shall be subject to repurchase by the Company at the original exercise price of the option in the event of a termination of an optionee's

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employment prior to vesting. All the remaining shares that were available for future grants under the 2013 Plan were transferred to the 2015 Equity Incentive Plan ("2015 Plan") at the inception of the 2015 Plan. As of December 31, 2018, the Company had not granted restricted stock or other equity awards (other than options) under the 2013 Plan.

# 2014 Equity Incentive Plan

In August 2014, the Board approved the 2014 Equity Incentive Plan ("2014 Plan"). An aggregate of 947,342 shares of common stock are reserved for issuance under the 2014 Plan. The 2014 Plan was adopted to accommodate a broader transaction with a sales entity and to allow for similar transactions in the future. In July 2015, the Board approved an increase in the number of shares of common stock reserved to 1,197,342. As of July 2015, the Company granted all 1,197,342 restricted stock units ("RSUs") available under the 2014 Plan.

# 2015 Equity Incentive Plan

In July 2015, the Board approved the 2015 Plan. An aggregate of 11,400,000 shares of common stock are reserved for issuance under the 2015 Plan plus (i) any shares that were reserved but not issued under the 2013 Plan at the inception of the 2015 Plan, and (ii) any shares subject to stock options or similar awards granted under the 2008 Plan, 2013 Plan and 2014 Plan that expire or otherwise terminate without having been exercised in full and shares issued that are forfeited to or repurchased by the Company, with the maximum number of shares to be added to the 2015 Plan pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) equal to 15,439,334 shares. The 2015 Plan provides for annual automatic increases on January 1 to the shares reserved for issuance. The automatic increase of the number of shares available for issuance under the 2015 Plan is equal to the least of 10 million shares, 4% of the outstanding shares of common stock as of the last day of our immediately preceding fiscal year or such other amount as the Board of Directors may determine. In 2018 and 2017, the Board of Directors authorized an additional 4,294,010 and 4,172,883 shares reserved for issuance under the 2015 Plan, respectively. Stock options granted to employees generally have a maximum term of ten-years and vest over a four-year period from the date of grant; 25% vest at the end of one year, and 75% vest monthly over the remaining three years. The options may include provisions permitting exercise of the option prior to full vesting. Any unvested shares shall be subject to repurchase by the Company at the original exercise price of the option in the event of a termination of an optionee's employment prior to vesting. RSUs granted to employees generally vest over a four-year period from the date of grant; 25% vest at the end of one year, and 75% vest quarterly over the remaining three years.

# **Stock Options**

The following table summarizes the activity for all stock options under all of the Company's equity incentive plans for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 (shares and aggregate intrinsic value in thousands):

	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	ggregate ntrinsic Value
Outstanding at December 31, 2016	12,897	\$ 5.94	7.49	\$ 9,625
Granted	5,266	5.17		
Exercised	(687)	2.96		
Cancelled	(1,208)	7.62		
Outstanding at December 31, 2017	16,268	5.70	7.41	\$ 14,832
Granted	1,529	8.63		
Exercised	(3,271)	5.23		
Cancelled	(936)	6.63		
Outstanding at December 31, 2018	13,590	\$ 6.07	6.63	\$ 66,462
Options vested and exercisable at December 31, 2018	7,974	\$ 5.64	5.52	\$ 42,504
Options vested and expected to vest at December 31, 2018	13,590	\$ 6.07	6.63	\$ 66,462
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There were 276,660 unvested exercisable shares as of the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, which are subject to a repurchase option held by the Company at the original exercise price. These exercisable but unvested shares have a weighted average remaining vesting period of less than a year. There was no exercise of unvested options in the year ended December 31, 2018 and 2017.

The weighted-average grant-date fair value of stock options granted during the year ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 were \$4.21, \$2.57 and \$2.26 per share, respectively. The total intrinsic value of the options exercised during the year ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was \$21.4 million, \$2.3 million and \$6.3 million, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic value is the difference of the current fair value of the stock and the exercise price for in-the-money stock options. The total fair value of options vested during the year ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 was \$8.8 million, \$7.5 million and \$9.8 million, respectively.

The Company estimates the fair value of stock-based awards on their grant date using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The Company estimates the fair value using a single-option approach and amortizes the fair value on a straight-line basis for options expected to vest. All options are amortized over the requisite service periods of the awards, which are generally the vesting periods.

The Company estimated the fair value of stock options with the following assumptions:

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2018	2017	2016			
Risk-free interest rate	2.72% - 2.92%	1.88% - 2.22%	1.18% - 2.23%			
Volatility	44.87% - 54.61%	45.95% - 50.52%	36.00% - 49.64%			
Expected term (in years)	6.09 - 6.11	5.94 - 6.08	5.00 - 6.26			
Expected dividend yield	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%			

The expected term assumptions were determined based on the average vesting terms and contractual lives of the options. The risk-free interest rate is based on the rate for a U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issue with a term that approximates the expected life of the option grant. For stock options granted in the year ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016, the Company considered the volatility data of a group of publicly traded peer companies in its industry. The Company accounts for forfeitures as they occur and, as such, reverses compensation cost previously recognized in the period the award is forfeited, for an award that is forfeited before completion of the requisite service period.

#### **Restricted Stock Units**

In 2014, the Company granted a total of 947,342 RSUs subject to certain performance targets to a third party partner. As of December 31, 2017, 350,000 outstanding RSUs had a performance feature that is required to be satisfied before the option is vested. In March 2018, the Company amended the terms of all of these RSUs, such that the RSUs are deemed earned subject to a clawback provision that requires the holder of the RSUs to either forfeit all the RSUs or pay the Company repayment value for all RSUs that are not forfeited if the third party breaches the exclusivity provision of the parties' commercial agreement. The exclusivity clawback provision for all of the RSUs expires in September 2019.

The performance-based provision is considered substantive. As a result, the Company recognizes expense once the performance targets are met. The first performance target was met in 2015. The Company recognized \$3.5 million, \$0.8 million and \$1.2 million compensation expense in the years ended December 31, 2018, 2017 and 2016 upon certain performance targets being met.

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The following table summarizes the activity for all RSUs under all of the Company's equity incentive plans for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 (shares in thousands):

	Shares	Weight Average Date F Value	Grant air
Unvested balance at December 31, 2016	4,106	\$	6.87
Granted	3,540		5.30
Issued	(1,115)		7.36
Cancelled / forfeited	(1,201)		5.81
Unvested balance at December 31, 2017	5,330		5.82
Granted	2,019		8.75
Issued	(1,720)		6.36
Cancelled / forfeited	(1,447)		5.75
Unvested balance at December 31, 2018	4,182	\$	7.05

# **Employee Stock Purchase Plan**

Under the Company's 2015 Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP") (as amended in May 2017), eligible employees are offered shares bi-annually through a 24 month offering period which encompasses four six month purchase periods. Each purchase period begins on the first trading day on or after May 15 and November 15 of each year. Employees may purchase a limited number of shares of the Company's common stock via regular payroll deductions at a discount of 15% of the lower of the fair market value of the Company's common stock on the first trading date of each offering period or on the exercise date. Employees may deduct up to 15% of payroll, with a cap of \$25,000 of fair market value of shares in any calendar year and 10,000 shares per employee per purchase period. Under the ESPP, 1,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock have been reserved for issuance to eligible employees. The ESPP provides for an automatic increase of the number of shares available for issuance under the ESPP on the first day of each fiscal year beginning on January 1, 2016, equal to the least of 5 million shares, 2% of the outstanding shares of our common stock on the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal year, or such other amount as may be determined by the Board of Directors. In 2018 and 2017, the Board of Directors authorized an additional 2,147,005 and 2,086,416 shares, respectively, reserved for issuance under the ESPP.

# **Stock-Based Compensation Expense**

The Company recognized stock-based compensation expense, including ESPP expenses, in the consolidated statements of operations as follows (in thousands):

		ed Decemb	ıber 31,				
	2018			2017		2016	
Cost of customer agreements and incentives	\$	2,568	\$	2,299	\$	2,039	
Cost of solar energy systems and product sales		718		609		409	
Sales and marketing		7,191		5,196		7,831	
Research and development		1,253		836		515	
General and administration		16,126		13,102		7,929	
Total	\$	27,856	\$	22,042	\$	18,723	

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, total unrecognized compensation cost related to outstanding stock options and RSUs was \$40.0 million and \$34.8 million, respectively, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 2.3 years and 2.8 years, respectively.

In August 2017, the Company entered into an agreement with an affiliate ("Contractor") of Comcast Corporation ("Comcast") whereby Contractor will receive lead or sales fees for new customers it brings to the Company over a 40-month term. Comcast may also earn a warrant to purchase up to 11,793,355 shares of the Company's outstanding common stock, at an exercise price of \$0.01 per warrant share. The warrant initially vests 50.05% when both (i) Contractor has earned a lead or sales fee with respect to 30,000 of installed solar

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energy systems, and (ii) Contractor or its affiliates have spent at least \$10.0 million in marketing and sales in connection with the agreement. Thereafter, the warrant will vest in five additional increments for each additional 6,000 installed solar energy systems. On November 7, 2018 the warrant vesting schedule was modified so that it will initially vest either (i) as to 10.0% if Contractor has earned a lead or sales fee with respect to 6,000 of installed solar energy systems by September 30, 2019 or (ii) as to 13.3% if Contractor has earned a lead or sales fee with respect to 8,000 of installed solar energy systems by December 31, 2019, provided that, in either case, Contractor or its affiliates have spent at least \$25.0 million in marketing and sales in connection with the agreement. Thereafter, the warrant will vest in additional 8.3% increments for each additional 5,000 installed solar energy systems. If the initial vesting conditions have not been met by December 31, 2019, the Warrant will expire. As of February 28, 2019, none of the shares under this amended warrant have vested and, therefore, the modification has no current financial statement effect as no expense has been recognized to date based on the terms of the award.

#### Note 19. Income Taxes

The following table presents the (income) loss before income taxes for the periods presented (in thousands):

	For the Year Ended December 31,							
	2018			2017		2016		
Income attributable to common stockholders	\$	(35,979)	\$	(137,842)	\$	(131,392)		
Loss attributable to noncontrolling interest and redeemable noncontrolling interests		286,843		413,104		395,968		
Loss before income taxes	\$	250,864	\$	275,262	\$	264,576		

The income tax provision (benefit) consists of the following (in thousands):

		For the Year Ended December 31,							
	2018			2017	2016				
Current									
Federal	\$	(1,100)	\$	_	\$	_			
State		292		_					
Total current expense		(808)		_		_			
Deferred									
Federal		1,995		4,784		47,677			
State		8,135		7,569		8,586			
Total deferred provision		10,130		12,353		56,263			
Total	\$	9,322	\$	12,353	\$	56,263			
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The following table represents a reconciliation of the statutory federal rate and the Company's effective tax rate for the periods presented:

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2016
(34.00)%
2.99
50.88
0.69
0.50
(1.63)
0.25
1.58
21.26 %

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Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. The following table represents the components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities for the periods presented (in thousands):

	December 31,					
	2018		2017			
Deferred tax assets	 					
Accruals and prepaids	\$ 18,871	\$	14,387			
Deferred revenue			7,602			
Net operating loss carryforwards	288,039		187,038			
Stock-based compensation	5,681		4,994			
Investment tax and other credits	28,551		22,940			
Interest Expense	9,614		_			
Interest rate derivatives	1,282		1,640			
Total deferred tax assets	 352,038		238,601			
Less: Valuation allowance	(10,506)		(2,892)			
Gross deferred tax assets	 341,532		235,709			
Deferred tax liabilities						
Deferred revenue	17,526		_			
Capitalized initial direct costs	54,823		38,751			
Fixed asset depreciation	218,701		173,175			
Deferred tax on investment in partnerships	144,115		106,902			
Gross deferred tax liabilities	 435,165		318,828			
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$ (93,633)	\$	(83,119)			

As of December 31, 2018, the Company has an investment tax credit carryforward of approximately \$14.9 million which begins to expire in the year 2028, if not utilized and \$1.0 million of California enterprise zone credits which begin to expire in the year 2023. As of December 31, 2017, the Company has an investment tax credit carryforward of approximately \$11.5 million and California enterprise zone credits of approximately \$1.0 million.

Generally, utilization of the net operating loss carryforwards and credits may be subject to a substantial annual limitation due to the ownership change limitations provided by the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) of 1986, as amended and similar state provisions. The Company performed an analysis to determine whether an ownership change under Section 382 of the Code had occurred and determined that no ownership changes were identified as of December 31, 2018.

Valuation allowances are provided against deferred tax assets to the extent that it is more likely than not that the deferred tax asset will not be realized. The Company's management considers all available positive and negative evidence including its history of operating income or losses, future reversals of existing taxable temporary difference, taxable income in carryback years and tax-planning strategies. The Company has concluded that it is more likely than not that the benefit from certain federal tax credits, state net operating loss carryforwards, and state tax credits will not be realized. In recognition of this risk, the Company has provided a valuation allowance of \$10.5 million on the deferred tax assets relating to these federal tax credits, state net operating loss carryforwards, and state tax credits which is an increase of \$7.6 million in 2018.

The Company sells solar energy systems to investment Funds. As the investment Funds are consolidated by the Company, the gain on the sale of the assets has been eliminated in the consolidated financial statements. These transactions are treated as intercompany sales and any tax expense incurred related to these sales prior to fiscal year 2017 was deferred. As described in Note 2, *Summary of Significant Accounting Policies* – Recently Issued Accounting Standards, ASU 2016-16, *Intra-Entity Transfers of Assets Other Than Inventory*, requires entities to recognize income tax consequences of an intra-entity transfer of an asset other than inventory when the transfer occurs. As a result, a reporting entity would recognize the tax expense from the sale of assets in the seller's tax jurisdiction when the transfer occurs, even though the pre-tax effects of the transaction are eliminated in the

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consolidated financial statements. Any deferred tax asset that arises in the buyer's jurisdiction would also be recognized at the time of the transfer. As the Company sells solar energy systems to Funds, the Company records the current tax effect of the gain on the sale as well as a deferred tax asset related to the Company's increased tax basis in the partnership as a result of the sale. With the adoption of ASU 2016-16 on January 1, 2017 the Company reversed net prepaid tax assets of \$378.5 million and recorded the gross deferred tax assets associated with the historical intercompany sales of solar energy systems, which in turn reduced the deferred tax liabilities on investment in partnerships by \$378.2 million with the remaining \$0.3 million being recorded as a cumulative effect of adoption in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Redeemable Noncontrolling Interest and Stockholders' Equity. The adoption did not have an impact on the Company's Consolidated Statement of Operations.

The Company adopted ASU 2016-09, Compensation – Stock Compensation (Topic 718): Improvements to Employee Share-Based Payment Accounting, on January 1, 2017. As a result of the adoption, the Company has increased its federal and state deferred tax assets by \$3.3 million for the cumulative unrecognized federal and state gross windfall net operating loss carryover at December 31, 2016 of \$8.6 million and \$6.8 million, respectively, with an offsetting adjustment to retained earnings of \$3.3 million.

#### **Tax Cuts and Jobs Act**

On December 22, 2017, the US government enacted comprehensive tax legislation commonly referred to as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Act"). The Tax Act makes broad and complex changes to the US tax code including but not limited to, (1) reducing the US federal corporate tax rate from 35% to 21%; (2) immediate expensing of certain tangible personal property (3) creating a new limitation on deductible interest expense; (4) enacting special rules for taxable year of inclusion for certain revenues and (5) changing rules related to the uses and limitations of net operating loss carryforwards created in tax years beginning after December 31, 2017.

On December 22, 2017, the SEC staff issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118 ("SAB 118") which provides guidance on accounting for the tax effects of the Tax Act. SAB 118 provides a measurement period that should not extend beyond one year from the Tax Act enactment date for companies to complete the accounting under ASC 740, Income taxes. In accordance with SAB 118 a company must reflect the income tax effects of those aspects of the Tax Act for which the accounting under ASC 740 is complete. For 2017, and the first nine months of 2018, the Company recorded provisional amounts for changes due to the Tax Act because we had not yet completed our analysis of the tax expense related to the enactment-date effects of the Tax Act that included performance-based compensation plans within the new definitions under IRC Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code.

In its final assessment of the Tax Act, the Company believes that performance based compensation provided prior to November 2, 2017 was provided pursuant to a written binding agreement and will be deductible. No adjustment has been made to current or deferred income tax expense in 2017 or 2018. While we have fully accounted for the impact of the Tax Act, the Company will continue to monitor additional clarification and guidance from the IRS, including guidance related to Section 451(c) income recognition. As of December 31, 2018, the Company has completed its accounting for all of the enactment-date income tax effects of the Act.

#### **Uncertain Tax Positions**

The Company files tax returns as prescribed by the tax laws of the jurisdictions in which it operates. In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to examination by federal, state and local jurisdictions, where applicable. The statute of limitations for the tax returns varies by jurisdictions.

We determine whether a tax position is more likely than not to be sustained upon examination, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes, based on the technical merits of the position. We use a two-step approach to recognize and measure uncertain tax positions. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon tax authority examination, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. We have analyzed the Company's inventory of tax positions with respect to all applicable income tax issues for all open tax years (in each respective jurisdiction).

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Our policy is to include interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits, if any, within the provision for taxes in the consolidated statements of operations.

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the Company had \$0.6 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, of unrecognized tax benefits related to an acquisition in 2015. In addition, there was \$0.2 million and \$0.4 million of interest and penalties for uncertain tax positions as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. During the 12 months ended December 31, 2018, the Company recorded an income tax benefit of \$1.1 million, including penalties and interest, due to the expiration of federal and California statute of limitations. This benefit was fully offset by an indemnification asset that was written down to zero through operating expenses during the year. Due to the expiration of federal and California statute of limitations, the Company expects the total amount of gross unrecognized tax benefits will decrease by \$0.6 million within 12 months of December 31, 2018.

The change in unrecognized tax benefits during 2018, 2017 and 2016, excluding penalties and interest, is as follows:

	For the Year Ended December 31,						
	2018	2017	2016				
Unrecognized tax benefits at beginning of the year	\$1,525	\$1,525	\$1,525				
Reversal of prior year unrecognized tax benefits due to the expiration of the statute of limitations	(878)	_					
Unrecognized tax benefits at end of the year	\$647	\$1,525	\$1,525				

One of our investment funds has recently been selected for audit by the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS"). In addition, three of our investors are currently being audited by the IRS, and these investor audits involve a review of the fair market value determination of our solar energy systems. If these investor audits result in an adverse finding, we would be subject to an indemnity obligation to these investors. The Company is subject to taxation and files income tax returns in the U.S., its territories, and various state and local jurisdictions. Due to the Company's net losses, substantially all of its federal, state and local income tax returns since inception are still subject to audit.

The following table summarizes the tax years that remain open and subject to examination by the tax authorities in the most significant jurisdictions in which the Company operates:

	Tax Years
U.S. Federal	2015 - 2018
State	2014 - 2018

#### **Net Operating Loss Carryforwards**

As a result of the Company's net operating loss carryforwards as of December 31, 2018, the Company does not expect to pay income tax, including in connection with its income tax provision for the year ended December 31, 2018 until the Company's net operating losses are fully utilized. As of December 31, 2018, the Company had net operating loss carryforwards for federal, California and other state income tax purposes of approximately \$1.1 billion, \$576.9 million and \$535.8 million, respectively, which will begin to expire in the year 2028, 2028 and 2024, respectively, if not utilized. Federal and certain state net operating loss carryforwards generated in 2018 have indefinite carryover periods and do not expire. The Company performed an analysis to determine whether an ownership change under Section 382 of the Code had occurred and determined that no ownership changes were identified as of December 31, 2018.

#### Note 20. Commitments and Contingencies

#### **Letters of Credit**

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the Company had \$9.7 million and \$16.4 million, respectively, of unused letters of credit outstanding, which carry fees of 2.5 - 3.25% per annum and 2.50 - 3.25% per annum, respectively.

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# **Operating and Finance Leases**

The Company leases real estate under non-cancellable operating leases and equipment under finance leases.

The components of lease expense were as follows (in thousands):

	For the Year Ended December 31,							
	2018		2017			2016		
Finance lease cost:								
Amortization of right-of-use assets	\$	11,884	\$	11,029	\$	11,252		
Interest on lease liabilities		676		640		889		
Operating lease cost		10,467		10,177		9,380		
Short-term lease cost		732		493		1,103		
Variable lease cost		3,112		2,502		2,173		
Sublease income		(572)		(24)		(79)		
Total lease cost	\$	26,299	\$	24,817	\$	24,718		

Other information related to leases was as follows (in thousands):

	For the Year Ended December 31,					
	2018		2017			2016
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities						
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$	10,765	\$	10,027	\$	8,345
Operating cash flows from finance leases		482		591		885
Financing cash flows from finance leases		9,220		10,032		12,968
Right-of-use assets obtained in exchange for lease obligations:						
Operating leases		3,411		7,276		5,913
Finance leases		15,370		862		14,875
Weighted average remaining lease term (years):						
Operating leases		3.43		3.99		4.28
Finance leases		3.37		2.06		2.83
Weighted average discount rate:						
Operating leases		4.3%		4.1%		3.9%
Finance leases		4.3%		3.1%		3.0%

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Future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable leases as of December 31, 2018 were as follows (in thousands):

	erating eases	Sublease Income		Sublease Income										Finance leases
2019	\$ 9,494	\$	774	\$	8,720	\$ 9,742								
2020	6,224		787		5,437	4,806								
2021	4,194		639		3,555	3,103								
2022	2,677		_		2,677	1,503								
2023	1,774		_		1,774	57								
Thereafter	25		_		25	949								
Total future lease payments	24,388		2,200	2	2,188	20,160								
Less: Amount representing interest	(1,602)		_	(	1,602)	(975)								
Present value of future payments	22,786		2,200	2	0,586	19,185								
Less: Short term leases not recorded as a liability	(748)		_		(748)									
Revised Present value of future payments	22,038		2,200	1	9,838	19,185								
Less: Current portion	(7,857)		_	(	7,857)	(9,193)								
Long term portion	\$ 14,181	\$	2,200	\$ 1	1,981	\$ 9,992								

#### **Purchase Commitment**

The Company entered into purchase commitments, which have the ability to be canceled without significant penalties, with multiple suppliers to purchase \$135.4 million of photovoltaic modules and inverters by the end of 2019.

### **Warranty Accrual**

The Company accrues warranty costs when revenue is recognized for solar energy systems sales, based on the estimated future costs of meeting its warranty obligations. Warranty costs primarily consist of replacement costs for supplies and labor costs for service personnel since warranties for equipment and materials are covered by the original manufacturer's warranty (other than a small deductible in certain cases). As such, the warranty reserve is immaterial in all periods presented. The Company makes and revises these estimates based on the number of solar energy systems under warranty, the Company's historical experience with warranty claims, assumptions on warranty claims to occur over a systems' warranty period and the Company's estimated replacement costs.

#### **ITC and Cash Grant Indemnification**

The Company is contractually committed to compensate certain investors for any losses that they may suffer in certain limited circumstances resulting from reductions in ITCs or U.S. Treasury grants. Generally, such obligations would arise as a result of reductions to the value of the underlying solar energy systems as assessed by the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS"). At each balance sheet date, the Company assesses and recognizes, when applicable, the potential exposure from this obligation based on all the information available at that time, including any audits undertaken by the IRS. The Company believes that this obligation is not probable based on the facts known as of the filing date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The maximum potential future payments that the Company could have to make under this obligation would depend largely on the difference between the prices at which the solar energy systems were sold or transferred to the Funds (or, in certain structures, the fair market value claimed in respect of such systems (referred to as "claimed values")) and the eligible basis determined by the IRS. The Company set the purchase prices and claimed values based on fair market values determined with the assistance of an independent third-party appraisal with respect to the systems that generate ITCs that are passedthrough to and claimed by the Fund investors. Since the Company cannot determine how the IRS may evaluate system values used in claiming ITCs, the Company is unable to reliably estimate the maximum potential future payments that it could have to make under this obligation as of each balance sheet date, though any potential future payments are mitigated by the insurance policy described below. In April 2018, the Company purchased an insurance policy providing for certain payments by the insurers in the event there is any final determination (including a judicial determination) that reduced the ITCs claimed in respect of solar energy systems sold or

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transferred to most Funds through April 2018, or later, in the case of Funds added to the policy after such date. In general, the policy indemnifies the Company and related parties for additional taxes (including penalties and interest) owed in respect of lost ITCs, gross-up costs and expenses incurred in defending such claim, subject to negotiated exclusions from, and limitations to, coverage.

# Litigation

The Company is subject to certain legal proceedings, claims, investigations and administrative proceedings in the ordinary course of its business. The Company records a provision for a liability when it is both probable that the liability has been incurred and the amount of the liability can be reasonably estimated. These provisions, if any, are reviewed at least quarterly and adjusted to reflect the impacts of negotiations, settlements, rulings, advice of legal counsel and other information and events pertaining to a particular case. Depending on the nature and timing of any such proceedings that may arise, an unfavorable resolution of a matter could materially affect the Company's future consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position in a particular period.

On November 20, 2015, a putative class action captioned Slovin et al. v. Sunrun Inc. and Clean Energy Experts, LLC, Case No. 4:15-cv-05340, was filed in the United States District Court, Northern District of California. The complaint generally alleged violations of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (the "TCPA") on behalf of an individual and putative classes of persons alleged to be similarly situated. Plaintiffs filed a First Amended Complaint on December 2, 2015, and a Second Amended Complaint on March 25, 2016, also asserting individual and putative class claims under the TCPA. By Order entered on April 28, 2016, the Court granted the Company's motion to strike the class allegations set forth in the Second Amended Complaint, and granted leave to amend. Plaintiffs filed a Third Amended Complaint on July 12, 2016 asserting individual and putative class claims under the TCPA. On October 12, 2016, the Court denied the Company's motion to again strike the class allegations set forth in the Third Amended Complaint. On October 3, 2017, plaintiffs filed a motion for leave to file a Fourth Amended Complaint, seeking to, among other things, revise the definitions of the classes that plaintiffs seek to represent. In each iteration of their complaint, plaintiffs seek statutory damages, equitable and injunctive relief, and attorneys' fees and costs, on behalf of themselves and the absent classes. On April 12, 2018, the Company and plaintiffs advised the Court that they reached a settlement in principle, and the Court vacated all deadlines relating to the motion for class certification. On September 27, 2018, Plaintiffs filed a motion for preliminary approval to settle all claims against the Company for \$5.5 million, which was accrued as of March 31, 2018. On November 27, 2018, a hearing was held on Plaintiff's motion for preliminary approval. The Court requested certain clarifications be made to the proposed settlement agreement and notice documents. On January 11, 2019, Plaintiffs filed revised settlement documents reflecting the changes requested by the Court, and on January 29, 2019, the Court granted preliminary approval of the settlement.

Most, if not all, of the claims asserted in the lawsuit relate to activities allegedly engaged in by third-party vendors, for which the Company denies any responsibility. The vendors are contractually obligated to indemnify the Company for losses related to the conduct alleged. The Company has denied, and continues to deny, the claims alleged and the settlement does not reflect any admission of fault, wrongdoing or liability. The settlement is subject to definitive documentation, class notice and court approval.

On April 13, 2016, a purported shareholder class action captioned *Pytel v. Sunrun Inc., et al.*, Case No. CIV 538215, was filed in the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, against the Company, certain of the Company's directors and officers, the underwriters of the Company's initial public offering and certain other defendants. The complaint generally alleges that the defendants violated Sections 11, 12 and 15 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), by making false or misleading statements in connection with the Company's August 5, 2015 initial public offering regarding the continuation of net metering programs. The plaintiffs seek to represent a class of persons who acquired the Company's common stock pursuant or traceable to the initial public offering. Plaintiffs seek compensatory damages, including interest, rescission or rescissory damages, an award of reasonable costs and attorneys' fees, and any equitable or injunctive relief deemed appropriate by the court. On April 29, 2016, a purported shareholder class action captioned *Baker et al. v. Sunrun Inc., et al.*, Case No. CIV 538419, was filed in the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo. On May 10, 2016, a purported shareholder class action captioned *Nunez v. Sunrun Inc., et al.*, Case No. CIV 538593, was filed in the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo. The *Baker* and *Nunez* complaints are substantially similar to the *Pytel* complaint, and seek similar relief against similar defendants on behalf of the same purported class. On

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements — Continued

February 1, 2018, plaintiffs filed a second amended complaint including allegations related to the alleged effect of customer cancellations on the Company's business.

On April 21, 2016, a purported shareholder class action captioned *Cohen, et al. v. Sunrun Inc., et al.*, Case No. CIV 538304, was filed in the Superior Court of California, County of San Mateo, against the Company, certain of the Company's directors and officers, and the underwriters of the Company's initial public offering. The complaint generally alleges that the defendants violated Sections 11, 12 and 15 of the Securities Act by making false or misleading statements in connection with an August 5, 2015 initial public offering regarding the Company's business practices and its dependence on complex financial instruments. The *Cohen* plaintiffs seek to represent the same class and seek similar relief as the plaintiffs in the *Pytel, Nunez,* and *Baker* actions. On September 26, 2016, the *Baker, Cohen, Nunez,* and *Pytel* actions were consolidated (such consolidated action referred to as the "state court litigation"). On December 27, 2017, the court granted Plaintiffs' motion for class certification.

Following a mediation on May 4, 2018, the parties entered into an agreement in principle to settle all claims asserted in the state court litigation against all defendants. The aggregate amount of the settlement is \$32.0 million, \$30.1 million of which will be funded by the Company's insurers and the remaining \$1.9 million of which was accrued as of June 30, 2018. The Company and all defendants have denied, and continue to deny, the claims alleged in the state court litigation and the settlement does not reflect any admission of fault, wrongdoing or liability as to any defendant. On December 14, 2018, the court granted final approval of the settlement and entered judgment.

On May 3, 2017, a purported shareholder class action captioned Fink, et al. v. Sunrun Inc., et al., Case No. 3:17-cv-02537, was filed in the United States District Court, Northern District of California, against the Company and certain of the Company's directors and officers. The complaint generally alleges that the defendants violated Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 10b-5, by making false or misleading statements in connection with public filings made between September 15, 2015 and March 8, 2017 regarding the number of customers who canceled contracts after signing up for the Company's home-solar energy system. The plaintiff seeks compensatory damages, including interest, attorney's fees, and costs, on behalf of all persons other than the defendants who purchased the Company's securities between September 16, 2015 and May 2, 2017. On May 4, 2017, a purported shareholder class action captioned Hall, et al. v. Sunrun Inc., et al., Case No. 3:17-cv-02571, was filed in the United States District Court, Northern District of California. On May 18, 2017, a purported shareholder class action captioned Sanogo, et al. v. Sunrun Inc., et al., Case No. 3:17-cv-02865, was filed in the United States District Court, Northern California District of California. The Hall and Sanogo complaints are substantially similar to the Fink complaint, and seeks similar relief against similar defendants on behalf of a substantially similar class. On August 23, 2017, the Fink, Hall, and Sanogo actions were consolidated, and on September 25, 2017, plaintiffs filed a consolidated amended complaint which alleges the same underlying violations as the original Fink, Hall and Sanogo complaints (such consolidated action referred to as the "federal court litigation"). On April 5, 2018, the court granted the Company's motion to dismiss without prejudice. Plaintiffs filed a second amended complaint on May 3, 2018. On July 19, 2018, the court again granted defendants' motion to dismiss without prejudice.

On August 8, 2018, the Company reached an agreement in principle with plaintiffs to settle all claims asserted in the federal court litigation against all defendants for \$2.5 million, all of which will be funded by the Company's insurers. The Company and all defendants have denied, and continue to deny, the claims alleged in the federal court litigation and the settlement does not reflect any admission of fault, wrongdoing or liability as to any defendant. On November 20, 2018, the Court granted preliminary approval of the settlement. The settlement is subject to definitive documentation, shareholder notice and final court approval.

On June 29, 2017, a shareholder derivative complaint captioned *Barbara Sue Sklar Living Trust v. Sunrun Inc. et al.*, was filed in the United States District Court, Northern District of California, against the Company and certain of the Company's directors and officers. The complaint generally alleges that the defendants violated Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act by making false or misleading statements in connection with public filings, including proxy statements, made between September 10, 2015 and May 3, 2017 regarding the number of customers who cancelled contracts after signing up for the Company's home solar energy system. The Plaintiff seeks, among other things, damages in favor of the Company, certain corporate actions to purportedly improve the Company's corporate governance, and an award of costs and expenses to the putative plaintiff stockholder, including attorneys' fees.

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements — Continued

On April 5, 2018, a stockholder derivative complaint captioned *Leonard Olsen v. Sunrun Inc. et al.*, was filed in the United States District Court, District of Delaware, against the Company and certain of the Company's directors and officers. The *Olsen* complaint is substantially similar to the *Sklar* complaint, alleges that the defendants breached their fiduciary duties and violated Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act in connection with public statements made between September 16, 2015 and May 21, 2017 and seeks similar relief.

On January 28, 2019, the Company reached an agreement in principle to settle all claims asserted in the *Sklar* and *Olsen* derivative actions against all defendants. Under the terms of the proposed settlement, the Company agreed to adopt certain corporate governance measures in the future. The Company and all defendants have denied, and continue to deny, the claims alleged in the derivative actions and the settlement does not reflect any admission of fault, wrongdoing or liability as to any defendant. The settlement is subject to definitive documentation and court approval.

#### Note 21. Net Income Per Share

Basic net income per share is computed by dividing net income attributable to common stockholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net income per share is computed by dividing net income attributable to common stockholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period adjusted to include the effect of potentially dilutive securities. Potentially dilutive securities are excluded from the computation of dilutive EPS in periods in which the effect would be antidilutive.

The computation of the Company's basic and diluted net income per share is as follows (in thousands, except per share amounts):

Years Ended December 31,						
	2018		2017		2016	
\$	26,657	\$	125,489	\$	75,129	
	110,089		105,432		102,367	
	7,023		2,774		2,597	
	117,112		108,206		104,964	
\$	0.24	\$	1.19	\$	0.73	
\$	0.23	\$	1.16	\$	0.72	
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The following shares were excluded from the computation of diluted net income per share as the impact of including those shares would be anti-dilutive (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31,			
	2018	2017	2016	
Warrants	625	1,251	1,251	
Outstanding stock options	3,271	13,803	8,981	
Unvested restricted stock units	649	1,451	1,564	
Total	4,545	16,505	11,796	

#### Note 22. Related Party Transactions

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements — Continued

An individual who previously served as one of the Company's directors until March 2017 has direct and indirect ownership interests in Enphase Energy, Inc. ("Enphase"). For the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company recorded \$9.1 million and \$19.9 million, respectively, in purchases from Enphase and had outstanding payables to Enphase of \$2.0 million as of December 31, 2017.

## Note 23. Quarterly Results of Operations (Unaudited)

The following table presents selected quarterly results of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Three Months Ended							
		December 31		September 30		June 30		March 31
2018								
Total Revenue	\$	240,120	\$	204,960	\$	170,538	\$	144,363
Cost of customer agreements and incentives	\$	65,317	\$	63,195	\$	57,769	\$	54,576
Cost of solar energy systems and product sales	\$	89,040	\$	76,179	\$	64,268	\$	64,579
Net loss	\$	(49,515)	\$	(47,524)	\$	(71,727)	\$	(91,420)
Net (loss) income attributable to common stockholders	\$	(5,888)	\$	(2,896)	\$	7,409	\$	28,032
Net (loss) income per share attributable to common stockholders, basic	\$	(0.05)	¢	(0.03)	¢	0.07	\$	0.26
Net (loss) income per share attributable to common stockholders, diluted		, ,		, ,				
	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.02)	\$	0.06	\$	0.25
2017								
Total Revenue	\$	152,265	\$	144,546	\$	130,622	\$	105,109
Cost of customer agreements and incentives	\$	51,234	\$	47,299	\$	45,289	\$	42,613
Cost of solar energy systems and product sales	\$	74,174	\$	69,588	\$	60,938	\$	49,431
Net loss	\$	(56,035)	\$	(82,815)	\$	(73,610)	\$	(75,155)
Net income attributable to common stockholders	\$	69,254	\$	28,007	\$	18,346	\$	9,882
Net income per share attributable to common stockholders, basic								
,	\$	0.65	\$	0.26	\$	0.17	\$	0.09
Net income per share attributable to common stockholders, diluted	•	2.22	•	2.22	•	2.4-	•	2.22
	\$	0.63	\$	0.26	\$	0.17	\$	0.09

In the second and third quarter of 2018, the Company reflected amounts received for ITCs from the investor in a pass-through financing obligation arrangement as proceeds from pass-through financing and other obligations in its consolidated statement of cash flows in the respective 2018 periods. The presentation of amounts received for ITCs from investors in pass-through financing obligation arrangements for the year ended December 31, 2018 are presented in cash from operating activities upon the adoption of Topic 606 in January 2018. Accordingly, \$53.5 million and \$103.0 million previously reported in cash provided by financing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2018 and nine months ended September 30, 2018 have been reclassed to net cash used in operating activities in the Company's consolidated statement of cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2018.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

None.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

#### Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our "disclosure controls and procedures" as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, pursuant to Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act.

In connection with that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective and designed to provide reasonable assurance that the information required to be disclosed is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms as of December 31, 2018. The term "disclosure controls and procedures," as defined in Rules 13a-15I and 15d-15I under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), means controls and other procedures of a company that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by a company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by a company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the company's management, including its principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving their objectives and management necessarily applies its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

# Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by Rule 13a-15(d) and 15d-15(d) of the Exchange Act that occurred during the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

# Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act. Our management used the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013), or the COSO framework, to evaluate the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. Management believes that the COSO framework is a suitable framework for its evaluation of financial reporting because it is free from bias, permits reasonably consistent qualitative and quantitative measurements of our internal control over financial reporting, is sufficiently complete so that those relevant factors that would alter a conclusion about the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting are not omitted and is relevant to an evaluation of internal control over financial reporting.

Management has assessed the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018 and has concluded that such internal control over financial reporting is effective.

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018 has been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in its report which is included in Item 8 of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

# Item 9B. Other Information.

None.

#### PART III

#### Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

The information required by this Item 10 of Form 10-K will be set forth in our proxy statement to be filed with the SEC in connection with the solicitation of proxies for our 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders ("Proxy Statement") and is incorporated herein by reference. The Proxy Statement will be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the year-end of the fiscal year which this report relates.

# Item 11. Executive Compensation.

The information required by this Item 11 will be set forth in the Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters.

The information required by this Item 12 will be set forth in the Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

The information required by this Item 13 will be set forth in the Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services.

The information required by this Item 14 will be set forth in the Proxy Statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **PART IV**

# Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules.

Documents filed as part of this report are as follows:

(1) Consolidated Financial Statements

Our Consolidated Financial Statements are listed in the "Index to Consolidated Financial Statements" under Item 8 of Part II of this Annual Report.

(2) Financial Statement Schedules

The required information is included elsewhere in this Annual Report, not applicable, or not material.

(3) Exhibits

The exhibits listed in the accompanying "Exhibit Index" are filed or incorporated by reference as part of this Annual Report.

# **EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit		Incorporated by Reference			nce
Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant	10-Q	001-37511	3.1	9/15/2015
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant	10-Q	001-37511	3.2	9/15/2015
4.1	Form of common stock certificate of the Registrant	S-1	333-205217	4.1	6/25/2015
4.2	Form of Warrant	8-K	001-37511	4.1	10/2/2015
4.3	Tenth Amended and Restated Investors' Rights Agreement among the Registrant and certain holders of its capital stock, dated as of March 31, 2015	S-1	333-205217	4.2	6/25/2015
4.4	Shareholders Agreement among the Registrant and certain holders of its capital stock, dated as of April 1, 2015	S-1	333-205217	4.3	6/25/2015
4.5	Form of Stock Issuance Agreement	S-1/A	333-205217	4.5	7/22/2015
4.6	Warrant to Purchase Shares of Common Stock of Sunrun Inc.	8-K	001-37511	4.1	8/24/2017
4.7	Registration Rights Agreement between the Company and Comcast Corporation, dated August 23, 2017	8-K	001-37511	4.2	8/24/2017
4.8	Form of Indenture, between the Registrant and one or more trustees to be named	S-3	333-222099	4.5	12/15/2017
4.9	Form of Common Stock Warrant Agreement and Warrant Certificate	S-3	333-222099	4.8	12/15/2017
4.10	Form of Preferred Stock Warrant Agreement and Warrant Certificate	S-3	333-222099	4.9	12/15/2017
4.11	Form of Debt Securities Warrant Agreement and Warrant Certificate	S-3	333-222099	4.10	12/15/2017
4.12	Amendment No. 1 to Warrant to Purchase Shares of Common Stock	8-K	001-37511	4.12	11/7/2018
10.1+	Form of Indemnification Agreement between the Registrant and each of its directors and executive officers	S-1	333-205217	10.1	6/25/2015
10.2+	Sunrun Inc. 2015 Equity Incentive Plan and related form agreements	S-1/A	333-205217	10.2	7/22/2015
10.3+	Sunrun Inc. Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan and related form agreements	10-Q	001-37511	10.1	8/9/2018
10.4+	Sunrun Inc. 2014 Equity Incentive Plan	S-1	333-205217	10.4	6/25/2015
10.5+	Sunrun Inc. 2013 Equity Incentive Plan and related form agreements	S-1	333-205217	10.5	6/25/2015
10.6+	Sunrun Inc. 2008 Equity Incentive Plan and related form agreements	S-1	333-205217	10.6	6/25/2015
10.7+	Mainstream Energy Corporation 2009 Stock Plan	S-1	333-205217	10.7	6/25/2015
10.8+	Sunrun Inc. Executive Incentive Compensation Plan	S-1	333-205217	10.8	6/25/2015
10.9+	Key Employee Change in Control and Severance Plan and Summary Plan Description	10-Q	001-37511	10.1	11/7/2018
10.10+	Employment Letter between the Registrant and Lynn Jurich, dated as of May 8, 2015	S-1	333-205217	10.10	6/25/2015
10.11+	Employment Letter between the Registrant and Edward Fenster, dated as of May 8, 2015	S-1	333-205217	10.11	6/25/2015
10.12+	Employment Letter between the Registrant and Bob Komin, dated as of May 8, 2015	S-1	333-205217	10.12	6/25/2015
10.13+	Board Services Agreement between the Registrant and Gerald Risk, dated as of February 1, 2014	S-1	333-205217	10.15	6/25/2015

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Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date
10.14	Agreement of Sublease between the Registrant and Visa U.S.A. Inc., dated as of April 1, 2013, as amended on April 29, 2013	S-1	333-205217	10.16	6/25/2015
10.15¥	Credit Agreement among the Registrant, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC and the other parties thereto, dated as of April 1, 2015	S-1	333-205217	10.17	6/25/2015
10.16¥	Credit Agreement among Sunrun Aurora Portfolio 2014-A, LLC, Investec Bank PLC, Keybank National Association and the Lenders from time to time as party thereto, dated December 31, 2014	S-1	333-205217	10.18	6/25/2015
10.17¥	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement among Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, LLC, Investec Bank PLC (as Administrative Agent), Investec Bank PLC (as Issuing Bank) and the Lenders from time to time as party thereto, dated January 15, 2016 and amended and restated as of June 23, 2017	10- Q/A	001-37511	10.2	12/29/2017
10.18¥	Amendment No. 2 to Credit Agreement among the Company, AEE Solar, Inc., Sunrun South LLC, Sunrun Installation Services Inc., Clean Energy Experts, LLC, each of the lenders identified on the signature pages thereto, Credit Suisse AG and Silicon Valley Bank, dated as of June 15, 2016	10-Q	001-37511	10.1	8/11/2016
10.19¥	Incremental Facility Agreement among the Company, AEE Solar, Inc., Sunrun South LLC, Sunrun Installation Services Inc., Clean Energy Experts, LLC, Credit Suisse AG and Comerica Bank, dated as of July 21, 2016	10-Q	001-37511	10.2	8/11/2016
10.20¥	First Amendment to Credit Agreement and Collateral Agency Agreement among Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, LLC, Investec Bank PLC (as administrative agent, issuing bank and as lender), each of the additional lenders identified on the signature pages thereto and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, dated as of May 12, 2016	10-Q	001-37511	10.3	8/11/2016
10.21¥	Consent and Second Amendment to Credit Agreement among Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, LLC, Investec Bank PLC (as administrative agent, issuing bank and as lender) and each of the additional lenders identified on the signature pages thereto, dated of as June 29, 2016	10-Q	001-37511	10.4	8/11/2016
10.22¥	Amendment No. 3 to Credit Agreement among the Company, AEE Solar, Inc., Sunrun South LLC, Sunrun Installation Services Inc., Clean Energy Experts, LLC, each of the lenders identified on the signature pages thereto, Credit Suisse AG and Silicon Valley Bank, dated as of December 2, 2016	10-K	001-37511	10.25	3/8/2017
10.23¥	Consent and Third Amendment to Credit Agreement and First Amendment to Cash Diversion and Commitment Fee Guaranty among the Company, Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, LLC, Investec Bank Plc (as administrative agent, issuing bank and as lender) and each of the additional lenders identified on the signature pages thereto, dated as of November 30, 2016	10-K	001-37511	10.26	3/8/2017
10.24¥	Consent and Fourth Amendment to Credit Agreement and First Amendment to Guaranty and Security Agreement among Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, LLC, Sunrun [*] Manager [*], LLC, Investec Bank Plc (as administrative agent, issuing bank and as lender), Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, and each of the additional lenders identified on the signature pages thereto, dated as of January 31, 2017	10-K	001-37511	10.27	3/8/2017

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Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date
10.25¥	Credit Agreement among Sunrun Neptune Portfolio 2016-A, LLC, as Borrower, Suntrust Bank as Administrative Agent, ING Capital LLC as LC Issuer, and The Lenders from Time to Time Party Hereto dated as of May 9, 2017 and Exhibits	10- Q/A	001-37511	10.30	12/29/2017
10.26¥	Consent and First Amendment to Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and First Amendment to Amended and Restated Cash Diversion and Commitment Fee Guaranty, dated as of December 28, 2017	10-K	001-37511	10.29	3/6/2018
10.27¥	Credit Agreement among Sunrun Scorpio Portfolio 2017-A, LLC, as Borrower, Keybank National Association, as Administrative Agent, Keybank National Association, as LC Issuer, and The Lenders from Time to Time Party Hereto dated as of October 20, 2017 and Exhibits	10-K	001-37511	10.30	3/6/2018
10.28+	Separation and Consulting Agreement between Mina Kim and Sunrun Inc., dated as of April 4, 2018	8-K	001-37511	10.1	4/6/2018
10.29+	Amendment to Separation and Consulting Agreement between Mina Kim and Sunrun Inc., dated as of June 15, 2018	8-K	001-37511	10.1	6/19/2018
10.30¥	Amendment No. 5 to Credit Agreement among the Company, AEE Solar, Inc., Sunrun South LLC, Sunrun Installation Services Inc., Clean Energy Experts, LLC, each of the lenders identified on the signature pages thereto, Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch and Silicon Valley Bank, dated as of February 23, 2018	10-Q	001-37511	10.1	5/9/2018
10.31¥	Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement among Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, LLC, Investec Bank PLC (as administrative agent, issuing bank and as lender), and each of the additional lenders identified on the signature pages thereto, dated January 15, 2016, amended and restated as of June 23, 2017 and further amended and restated as of March 27, 2018	10-Q	001-37511	10.2	5/9/2018
10.32	First Amendment to Credit Agreement among the Company, Sunrun Neptune Portfolio 2016-A, LLC, SunTrust Bank (as administrative agent and as lender), ING Capital LLC (as issuer and as lender), and each of the additional Lenders from time to time party thereto, dated as of March 26, 2018	10-Q	001-37511	10.3	5/9/2018
10.33¥	Consent and First Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and Third Amendment to Amended and Restated Cash Diversion and Commitment Fee Guaranty dated as of July 18, 2018, among Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, Sunrun Inc., Investec Bank Plc (as administrative agent, issuing bank and as lender), and each of the additional lenders identified on the signature pages thereto	10-Q	001-37511	10.2	11/7/2018
10.34¥	Consent and Second Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and Fourth Amendment to Amended and Restated Cash Diversion and Commitment Fee Guaranty dated as of August 22, 2018, among Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, LLC, Sunrun Inc., Investec Bank Plc (as administrative agent, issuing bank and as lender) and each of the additional lenders identified on the signature pages thereto	10-Q	001-37511	10.3	11/7/2018
10.35	Consent and Third Amendment to Amended and Restated Credit Agreement and Sixth Amendment to Cash Diversion and Commitment Fee Guaranty dated as of August 22, 2018, among Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, LLC, Sunrun Inc., Investec Bank Plc (as administrative agent, issuing bank and as lender) and each of the additional lenders identified on the signature pages thereto	10-Q	001-37511	10.4	11/7/2018

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Number	Exhibit Description	Form	File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date
10.36¥	Indenture between Sunrun Athena Issuer 2018-1, LLC and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, dated as of December 20, 2018				
10.37¥	Fourth Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement among Sunrun Hera Portfolio 2015-A, LLC, Investec Bank Plc (as administrative agent and issuing bank), and each of the additional Lenders identified on the signature pages thereto, dated as of November 30, 2018				
10.38¥	Amendment No. 6 to Credit Agreement among the Company, AEE Solar, Inc., Sunrun South LLC, Sunrun Installation Services Inc., Clean Energy Experts, LLC, each of the lenders identified on the signature pages thereto, Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch, dated as of November 14, 2018				
21.1	List of subsidiaries of the Registrant	S-1	333-205217	21.1	6/25/2015
23.1	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm				
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002				
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002				
32.1†	Certifications of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002				
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document				
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Schema Linkbase Document				
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Definition Linkbase Document				
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Calculation Linkbase Document				
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Labels Linkbase Document				
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Presentation Linkbase Document				
†	The certifications attached as Exhibit 32.1 that accompany this Annual Report on Form 10-K, are deemed furnished and not filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and are not to be incorporated by reference into any filing of Sunrun Inc. under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, whether made before or after the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, irrespective of any general incorporation language contained in such filing.				
+	Indicates management contract or compensatory plan.				
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# **SIGNATURES**

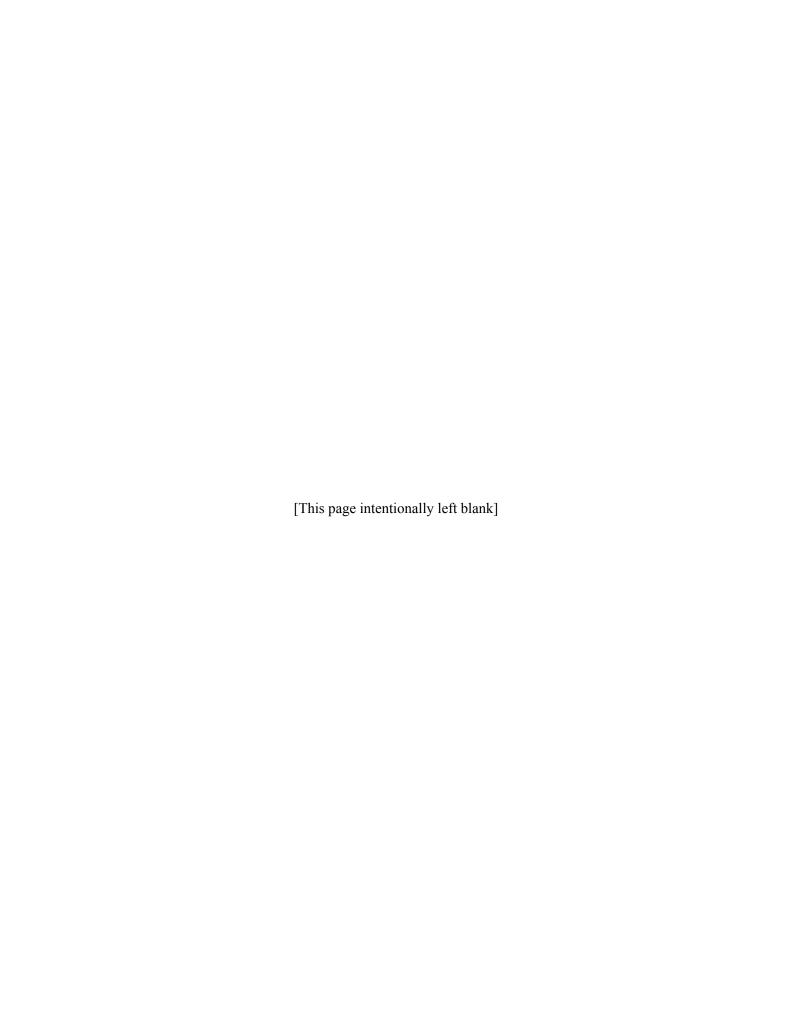
Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

# Sunrun Inc.

Date: February 28, 2019	By: /s/ Lynn Jurich	
	Lynn Jurich	_
	Chief Executive Officer and Director	r

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Name	Title	Date
/s/ Lynn Jurich Lynn Jurich	Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	February 28, 2019
/s/ Robert Komin  Robert Komin	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)	February 28, 2019
/s/ Edward Fenster Edward Fenster	Chairman and Director	February 28, 2019
/s/ Katherine August-deWilde Katherine August-deWilde	Director	February 28, 2019
/s/ Leslie Dach Leslie Dach	Director	February 28, 2019
/s/ Alan Ferber Alan Ferber	Director	February 28, 2019
/s/ Mary Powell  Mary Powell	Director	February 28, 2019
/s/ Gerald Risk Gerald Risk	Director	February 28, 2019
/s/ Steve Vassallo Steve Vassallo	Director	February 28, 2019



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