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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 6-K**

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**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of April 2013

Commission File Number: 001-33107

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**CANADIAN SOLAR INC.**

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No. 199 Lushan Road  
Suzhou New District  
Suzhou, Jiangsu 215129  
People's Republic of China  
(Address of principal executive office)

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CANADIAN SOLAR INC.

By: /s/ Shawn (Xiaohua) Qu  
Name: Shawn (Xiaohua) Qu  
Title: Chairman, President and  
Chief Executive Officer

Date: April 3, 2013

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### **Class Action Lawsuit Against Canadian Solar Dismissed with Prejudice**

GUELPH, Ontario, April 2, 2013 — Canadian Solar, Inc., (the “Company,” or “Canadian Solar”) (NASDAQ: CSIQ), one of the world’s largest solar power companies, today announced that the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York dismissed with prejudice a class action lawsuit filed against the Company and certain named defendants. The lawsuit alleged that the Company’s financial disclosures during 2009 and early 2010 were false or misleading and in violation of federal securities law. The Court found that the plaintiffs failed to adequately allege a securities law violation, and on March 29, 2013, it granted the Company’s motion to dismiss all claims against all defendants with prejudice. The plaintiffs have 30 days to appeal the judgment.

#### **About Canadian Solar Inc. (NASDAQ: CSIQ)**

Canadian Solar Inc. is one of the world’s largest solar companies. As a leading vertically integrated provider of ingots, wafers, solar cells, solar modules and other solar applications, Canadian Solar designs, manufactures and delivers solar products and solar system solutions for on-grid and off-grid use to customers worldwide. With operations in North America, Europe, Australia, Africa and Asia, Canadian Solar provides premium quality, cost-effective and environmentally-friendly solar solutions to support global, sustainable development. For more information, visit [www.canadiansolar.com](http://www.canadiansolar.com).

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