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October 14, 2016  
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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 October 2016

Commission File Number: 001-33107

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**CANADIAN SOLAR INC.**

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545 Speedvale Avenue West  
Guelph, Ontario, Canada N1K 1E6

(Address of principal executive office)

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SIGNATURE

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.

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

Date: October 14, 2016

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