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UNITED STATES						OMB APPROVAL	
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	NOTICE OF	PROPOSED SALE	OF SECURITI	ES		SEC USE ONLY	
PURSU	JANT TO RULE	144 UNDER THE	SECURITIES A	ACT OF 1933	3	DOCUMENT SEQUENCE NO.	
						CUSIP NUMBER	
ATTENTION: Tra order with a broker	•	•	•	•	cing an		
1 (a) NAME OF ISSUER (Please type or print)			(b) IRS IDENT. NO.	(c) S.E.C. 1	FILE NO	WORK LOCATION	
El Paso Electric Co	ompany		74-0607870	001-14206	ó		
1 (d) ADDRESS OF ISSUER			ZIP CODE	E (e) TELEPHONE NO			
	100 N. Stanton		El Paso	TX	79901	9155435	711
2 (a) NAME OF PE FOR WHOSE ACC THE SECURITIES TO BE SOLD	COUNT	(b) RELATIONSHIP TO ISSUER	(c) ADDRESS	STREET	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
Kenneth Heitz		Chairman	1800 Avenue Suite 900	of the Stars,	Los Angeles	CA	90067
INSTRUCTION: T	he person filing		ontact the issuer C. File Number.	to obtain the	I.R.S. Identi	ification N	ımber and

3 (a)	(b)	SEC USE ONLY	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
			Number of		Number of		Name of
Title of the			Shares	Aggregate	Shares	Approximate	Each
Class of		Broker-Dealer		Market		Date of Sale	Securities

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	Name and Address of Each Broker Through Whom the		or Other Units		or Other Units		
Securities To Be Sold	Securities are to be Offered or Each Market Maker	File Number	To Be Sold	Value	Outstanding	(See instr. 3(f))	Exchange
	who is Acquiring the Securities		(See instr. 3(c))	(See instr. 3(d))	(See instr. 3(e))	(MO. DAY YR.)	(See instr. 3(g))
Common	Deutsche Bank Securities 2000 Avenue of the Stars, Ste. 910-N Los Angeles, CA 90067		2353	77272.52	40,250,230	12/16/2011	NYSE
INSTRUCTIONS: 1 (a) Name of issuer			2 (a) Titl	a of the along	s of securities	to be cold	

- (a) Name of issuer
 - Issuer's I.R.S. (b) Identification Number
 - Issuer's S.E.C. file (c) number, if any
 - Issuer's address, including (d) zip code
 - (e) Issuer's telephone number, including area code
- 2. (a) Name of person for whose account the securities are to be sold
 - (b) Such person's relationship to the issuer (e.g., officer, director, 10% stockholder, or member of immediate family of any of the foregoing)
 - Such person's address, (c) including zip code

- 3. (a) Title of the class of securities to be sold
 - (b) Name and address of each broker through whom the securities are intended to be sold
 - (c) Number of shares or other units to be sold (if debt securities, give the aggregate face amount)
 - (d) Aggregate market value of the securities to be sold as of a specified date within 10 days prior to filing of this notice
 - (e) Number of shares or other units of the class outstanding, or if debt securities the face amount thereof outstanding, as shown by the most recent report or statement published by the issuer
 - (f) Approximate date on which the securities are to be sold
 - (g) Name of each securities exchange, if any, on which the securities are intended to be sold

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are SEC 1147 not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number. (08-07)

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TABLE I — SECURITIES TO BE SOLD

Furnish the following information with respect to the acquisition of the securities to be sold and with respect to the payment of all or any part of the purchase price or other consideration therefor:

			Name of Person from			
			Whom Acquired	Amount of		
Title of	Date you	Nature of Acquisition	(If gift, also give date	Securities	Date of	Nature of
the Class	Acquired	Transaction	donor acquired)	Acquired	Payment	Payment
Common	various	Board of Director Fees	El Paso Electric	2353	12/16/2011	Grant

INSTRUCTIONS: If the securities were purchased and full payment therefor was not made in cash at the time of purchase, explain in the table or in a note thereto the nature of the consideration given. If the consideration consisted of any note or other obligation, or if payment was made in installments describe the arrangement and state when the note or other obligation was discharged in full or the last installment paid.

TABLE II — SECURITIES SOLD DURING THE PAST 3 MONTHS

Furnish the following information as to all securities of the issuer sold during the past 3 months by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold.

			Amount of	
		Date of	Securities	
Name and Address of Seller	Title of Securities Sold	Sale	Sold	Gross Proceeds

EXPLANATION OF RESPONSES:

REMARKS:

INSTRUCTIONS:

See the definition of "person" in paragraph (a) of Rule 144. The person for whose account the securities to which this Information is to be given not only as to the person for whose account the securities are to be sold but also as to all other persons included in that definition. In addition, information shall be given as to sales by all persons whose sales are required by paragraph (e) of Rule 144 to be aggregated with sales for the account of the person filing this notice.

December 16, 2011 DATE OF NOTICE

ATTENTION: Intentional

misstatements or omission of facts constitute

Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)

DATE OF PLAN ADOPTION OR GIVING OF INSTRUCTION, IF **RELYING ON RULE 10B5-1**

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ATTENTION:

notice relates are to be sold hereby represents by signing this notice that he does not know any material adverse information in regard to the current and prospective operations of the Issuer of the securities to be sold which has not been publicly disclosed. If such person has adopted a written trading plan or given trading instructions to satisfy Rule 10b5-1 under the Exchange Act, by signing the form and indicating the date that the plan was adopted or the instruction given, that person makes such representation as of the plan adoption or instruction date.

/s/ Kenneth Heitz

(SIGNATURE)

The notice shall be signed by the person for whose account the securities are to be sold. At least one copy of the notice shall be manually signed. Any copies not manually signed shall bear typed or printed signatures.