

EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BUSSER STEVEN P

(Last) (First) (Middle)
7014 BLACK RIDGE

(Street)

EL PASO, TX 79912

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/ [EE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/21/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
VP-Treas & Chief Risk Off

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/21/2008		A	V	\$ 3,250	A	9,045	D
Common Stock	02/21/2008		F		\$ 1,039	D	8,006	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table with columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3), 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year), 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year), 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8), 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5), 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year), 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4), 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5), 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5), 10. Following the Report, the Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4), 11. Amount or Number of Shares.

Reporting Owners

Table with columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships (Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other). Row 1: BUSSEY STEVEN P, 7014 BLACK RIDGE, EL PASO, TX 79912; Relationships: VP-Treas & Chief Risk Off.

Signatures

Juanita (JJ) Jimenez As Attorney In Fact For Steven P. Busser 02/21/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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