

EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/

Form 8-K

October 21, 2011

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

Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): 10/21/2011

El Paso Electric Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 001-14206

Texas
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

74-0607870
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

Stanton Tower, 100 North Stanton, El Paso, Texas 79901
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(915) 543-5711
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01. Other Events

As previously disclosed, on October 4, 2011, the City Council for the City of El Paso (the "City") adopted a resolution ordering El Paso Electric Company (the "Company") to show cause why its base rates for electric service for customers within the city limits of El Paso should not be lowered. On that date, the City also scheduled a hearing for October 25, 2011 to consider establishing temporary rates pending the conclusion of the rate case. Yesterday the City staff informed the Company that the hearing to consider establishing temporary rates will be rescheduled to a later date.

SIGNATURES

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 hereunto duly authorized.

El Paso Electric Company

Date: October 21, 2011

By: /s/ DAVID G. CARPENTER

DAVID G. CARPENTER
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Duly
Authorized Officer and Principal Financial Officer)