

HOPPER JOHN J
 Form 5
 February 03, 2003

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 HOPPER, JOHN J.
 EL PASO CORPORATION
 1001 LOUISIANA STREET
 HOUSTON, TX 77002-
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 EL PASO CORPORATION (EP)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
 12/2002
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 VICE PRESIDENT AND TREASURER
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	2A.Execu- tion Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount A/D Price	5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned Follow Yea
Common Stock					12859