DUNLAP JAMES L Form 4

October 02, 2009

FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **DUNLAP JAMES L**

(First) (Middle)

EL PASO CORPORATION, 1001 LOUISIANA STREET

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

EL PASO CORP/DE [EP]

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

09/30/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(City) (State) (Zip)

HOUSTON, TX 77002-

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

3.

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

or

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion

or Exercise

Security

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				(Instr.				
				Code '	V (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Common Stock Units	\$ 0	09/30/2009		A(2)	4,333	5	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	4,335	\$ 0
Deferred Common Stock Units	\$ 0	10/01/2009		A(3)	417		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	417	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DUNLAP JAMES L EL PASO CORPORATION 1001 LOUISIANA STREET HOUSTON, TX 77002-	X						

Signatures

s/ Marguerite Woung-Chapman (POA) 10/02/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Each stock unit represents one share of common stock and is held in the Benefits Protection Trust, a grantor trust, of which the reporting person is a beneficiary, and of which the shares are subject to the general creditors of the Company. The stock units are payable in common stock following the date the reporting person ceases to be a director.
- (2) The stock units were allocated to the reporting person's account at a market price of \$10.38.
- (3) The stock units were allocated to the reporting person's account at a market price of \$10.03.

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