EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/

Form 4

February 22, 2008

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

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Gonzalez Richard G		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
~ \	(T)		EL PAS) /TX	(/ [EE]	(Chec	ck all applicable)	
(Last)	(First)	Middle)	3. Date of	Earliest	Tra	insaction						
123 W. MILLS AVENUE			(Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2008						Director X_ Officer (give below) VP-H		Owner r (specify	
	(Street)		4. If Ame	ndment,	Dat	e Origina	1		6. Individual or Jo	oint/Group Filin	g(Check	
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)						Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
EL PASO, T	TX 79901								Form filed by M Person	More than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Noi	n-De	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	y Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	e 2A. Deei	ned	3.		4. Securi	ties A	equired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Executio	n Date, if	Transa	ctio	n(A) or Di	ispose	d of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any		Code		(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/I	Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)				Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
							(A) or		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
_				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(
Common	02/21/2008			A		750	A	\$ 21.42	750	D		

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gonzalez Richard G 123 W. MILLS AVENUE EL PASO, TX 79901

VP-Human Resources

Signatures

Juanita (JJ) Jimenez As Attorney In Fact For Richard G. Gonzalez

02/22/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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