EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--|------------------------|--------|-------------|---|------------------|--------------|--|
| | | | EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/ [EE] | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) | (First) (N | Middle) 3. Dat | of Earliest T | ransaction | | | | | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | | | | _X_ Director | | Owner | |
| 914 NORTH WHITTIER DRIVE | | | 05/02/2007 | | | | Officer (give below) | below) | er (specify | |
| (Street) 4. If Amer | | | mendment, D | endment, Date Original | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| Filed(Mo | | | ed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | |
| BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210 | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) T | able I - Non-l | Derivative | Secur | ities Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned | |
| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed | 3. | 4. Securi | ties A | cquired | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of | |
| Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, | f Transacti | on(A) or D | | | Securities | Form: Direct | Indirect | |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | (Instr. 3, | 4 and | 5) | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial | |
| | | (Month/Day/Yea | r) (Instr. 8) | | | | Owned | Indirect (I) | Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | (A) | | Reported | | | |
| | | | | | or | | Transaction(s) | | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
| Common Stock | 05/02/2007 | | A | 3,500 | A | \$ 27.15 | 45,799 | D | | |

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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | ve Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transact Code (Instr. 8) | 5. orNumber of Derivativ Securitie Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr | |
|--|---------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|--|
| | | | Code V | 4, and 5) (A) (D) | | Expiration Date | 0 N 0 | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| SIEGEL ERIC B | | | | | | |
| 914 NORTH WHITTIER DRIVE | X | | | | | |
| BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210 | | | | | | |

Signatures

Norma J. Ayoub as Attorney in Fact for Eric B.

05/04/2007

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**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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