EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** WERTHEIMER STEPHEN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/ [EE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
15 STEEPLE CHASE			(Month/Day/Year) 03/26/2008	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
GREENWICH,	, CT 06831		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/26/2008		X	2,355	A	\$ 9.5	28,566	D	
Common Stock	03/26/2008		S	855	D	\$ 20.27	27,711	D	
Common Stock	03/26/2008		S	1,300	D	\$ 20.28	26,411	D	
Common Stock	03/26/2008		S	200	D	\$ 20.29	26,211	D	

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock	\$ 9.5	03/26/2008		C	2,355	05/29/1998	05/29/2008	Common	2,355

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WERTHEIMER STEPHEN							
15 STEEPLE CHASE	X						
GREENWICH, CT 06831							

Signatures

Norma J. Ayoub as Attorney in Fact for Stephen N.
Wertheimer 03/26/2008

**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).

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