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See Instruction 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HEITZ KENNETH			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/ [EE] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
16848 CHARMEL LANE			(Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2011	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specification)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person			
PACIFIC PAI	LISADES, C	CA 90272		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Aco	ties Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner			

(City)	(State) (Zi	^{p)} Table I	- Non-Der	ivative Se	curiti	es Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	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. Securit on(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	sposed	d of	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	04/01/2011		A	542	A	\$ 30.4	60,323	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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	. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu Deriv
5	Derivative Security Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Monun/Day/Year)	(Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)		of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					Code V	<i></i>	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Amour or Number of	er	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HEITZ KENNETH

16848 CHARMEL LANE X
PACIFIC PALISADES, CA 90272

Signatures

NORMA J. AYOUB AS ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR KENNETH R. HEITZ

04/04/2011

**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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