YARDLEY JAMES C Form 4

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FORM 4

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)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * YARDLEY JAMES C	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) (First) (Middle)	EL PASO CORP/DE [EP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)				
EL PASO CORPORATION, 1001 LOUISIANA STREET	(Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2011	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specibelow) below) EVP & PRES., PIPELINE GROUI				
(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				
HOUSTON, TX 77002-		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivativ	e Seci	uriti	es A	cq	uir	ed, Dis	posed o	of, or Be	neficia	lly Own	ed
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	xecution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/01/2011		A <u>(1)</u>	60,249	A	\$ 0 (1)	357,492	D	
Common Stock	04/01/2011		F	13,611	D	\$0	343,881 (2)	D	
Common Stock							9,833	I	401(k)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisab	ole and	7. Title and	Amount
Derivative	e Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date	Underlying Securitie		
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or				
	Derivative				Disposed of (D)				
	Security				(Instr. 3, 4, and				
					5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amous Number Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (3)	\$ 18.205	04/01/2011		A	108,507	04/01/2012(4)	04/01/2021	Common Stock	108,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

YARDLEY JAMES C EL PASO CORPORATION 1001 LOUISIANA STREET HOUSTON, TX 77002-

EVP & PRES., PIPELINE GROUP

Signatures

s/ Marguerite Woung-Chapman (POA)

04/05/2011

**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).
- (1) Employee award of restricted stock granted pursuant to the 2005 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan. Shares of stock are required to be withheld for tax purposes when, and if, these shares vest.
- (2) Includes 1,510 shares acquired since April 1, 2010 under the El Paso Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan and 70 shares acquired since April 1, 2010 under the Company Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) The nonqualified stock options permit the exercise price and/or tax obligation to be satisfied by withholding shares issuable thereunder.
- (4) One third of this grant vests each year on the anniversary date of the grant.

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