#### EL PASO CORP/DE

Form 4

January 04, 2005

## 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 KUEHN RONALD L JR	* 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	EL PASO CORP/DE [EP]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
	(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner			
1900 FIFTH AVENUE NORTH	12/13/2004	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Noi	n-De	erivative S	ecuri	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/13/2004		G	V	5,800	D	\$0	271,566	D	
Common Stock								4,200	I	Trust for Children
Common Stock	12/13/2004		G	V	1,000	A	\$0	24,500	I	By Spouse
Common Stock								20	I	By Children

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)

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 out Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration E (Month/Day	ate	Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Common Stk Units	\$ 0	12/31/2004		A <u>(1)</u>	4,335	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	4,335	\$ (

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe		

KUEHN RONALD L JR 1900 FIFTH AVENUE NORTH X BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203

## **Signatures**

Alan Bishop (POA) 01/04/2005

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **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) The stock units were allocated to the reporting person's account at a market price of \$10.3800.
- Each stock unit represents one share of common stock and is held in the Benefits Protection Trust, a grantor trust, of which the reporting (2) person is a beneficiary, and of which the shares are subject to the general creditors of the Company. The stock units are payable in common stock following the date the reporting person ceases to be a director.

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