CRANE DAVID W Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **CRANE DAVID W**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

EL PASO CORP/DE [EP]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

EL PASO CORPORATION, 1001

LOUISIANA STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2010

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Underlying Securities Deriv Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Secur

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					(Instr.	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Common Stock Units	\$ 0	12/31/2010		A(2)	3,267		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	3,267	\$ 0
Deferred Common Stock Units	\$ 0	01/03/2011		A(3)	10		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	10	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CRANE DAVID W EL PASO CORPORATION 1001 LOUISIANA STREET HOUSTON, TX 77002	X						

Signatures

s/ Marguerite Woung-Chapman (POA) 01/04/2011

**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).
- Each stock unit represents one share of common stock and is held in the Benefits Protection Trust, a grantor trust, of which the reporting (1) 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.
- (2) The stock units were allocated to the reporting person's account at a market price of \$13.775.
- (3) The stock units were allocated to the reporting person's account at a market price of \$13.875.

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