VAGT ROBERT F

Form 4 January 04, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Check this box if no longer

subject to Section 16. Form 4 or

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VAGT ROBERT F

(Middle)

Symbol EL PASO CORP/DE [EP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2011

EL PASO CORPORATION, 1001 LOUISIANA STREET

(First)

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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

HOUSTON, TX 77002-

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

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

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. Transactionof Code

(A)

or

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** Derivative (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

Derivati Security

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securi Acqui (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. and 5)	red sed 3, 4,					(Instr. 5]
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Common Stock Units	\$ 0	12/30/2011		A(2)	991		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	991	\$ 0 <u>(2</u>
Deferred Common Stock Units	\$0	01/03/2012		A(3)	21		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	21	\$ 0 ⁽³

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
VAGT ROBERT F EL PASO CORPORATION 1001 LOUISIANA STREET HOUSTON, TX 77002-	X						

Signatures

s/ Marguerite Woung-Chapman (POA) 01/04/2012

**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 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 \$26.505.
- (3) The stock units were allocated to the reporting person's account at a market price of \$26.725.

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