

EL PASO CORP/DE

Form 4

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**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BRANIFF JUAN CARLOS

(Last) (First) (Middle)

EL PASO CORPORATION, 1001  
LOUISIANA STREET

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77002-

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

EL PASO CORP/DE [EP]

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

12/31/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	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 Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Underlying Securities

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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. 8)								
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Deferred Common Stock Units	\$ 0	12/31/2010	A <sup>(2)</sup>		1,906		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	1,906	\$ 0		
Deferred Common Stock Units	\$ 0	01/03/2011	A <sup>(3)</sup>		93		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	93	\$ 0		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BRANIFF JUAN CARLOS 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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