EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Buraczyk Steven T			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/ [EE]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)								(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					Director 10% Owner			
100 N. STANTON			01/25/2017					_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) SENIOR VP-OPERATIONS			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line)					
EL PASO,						_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	curity (Month/Day/Year) Execution		n Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				d of (D)	Owned Indirect (I) O			
						(A) or		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(mstr. 3 and 1)			
Common Stock	01/25/2017			A	1,401 (1)	A	\$ 0	21,891	D		
Common Stock	01/25/2017			F	458 (2)	D	\$ 45.25	21,433	D		
Common Stock	01/25/2017			A	2,210 (3)	A	\$ 0	23,643	D		

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				G 1 17	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Buraczyk Steven T 100 N. STANTON EL PASO, TX 79901

SENIOR VP-OPERATIONS

Signatures

/s/ Norma J. Ayoub, as attorney in fact for Mr. Buraczyk

01/27/2017

**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) Reporting Performance Shares awarded form 2014 Award Year.
- (2) Reporting tax shares withheld from 2014 Performance Share Award.
- (3) Reporting restricted stock granted and vesting in 3 years.

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