HARRIS JAMES W Form 4 May 08, 2009

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HARRIS JAMES W			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/ [EE]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
POST OFFICI	E BOX 195		(Month/Day/Year) 05/07/2009	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
MANNS HAR	RBOR, NC 2	27953	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi on(A) or Di			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/07/2009		A	3,500	A	\$ 13.85	46,132	D	

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5.	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	ercise of vative	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/) e		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Amour or Numbe of Shares	er	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HARRIS JAMES W
POST OFFICE BOX 195 X
MANNS HARBOR, NC 27953

# **Signatures**

Norma J. Ayoub as Attorney in Fact for James W.
Harris

05/08/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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