

EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/  
Form 8-K  
June 15, 2010

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):**

**June 14, 2010**

**El Paso Electric Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

Stanton Tower, 100 North Stanton, El Paso, Texas  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(915) 543-5711

79901  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- .. Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

On June 14, 2010, El Paso Electric Company (the Company) announced that Mary E. Kipp has been promoted to the position of Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer. Ms. Kipp, age 42, has served as the Company's Vice President-Legal and Chief Compliance Officer since December 2009. From December 2007 to December 2009, she served as the Company's Assistant General Counsel and Director of FERC Compliance. Prior to joining the Company, Ms. Kipp was a senior attorney in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Office of Enforcement in Washington, DC from January 2004 to December 2007.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**El Paso Electric Company**

By: /s/ MARY E. KIPP  
Name: **Mary E. Kipp**  
Title: **Senior Vice President General Counsel and  
Chief Compliance Officer**

Dated: June 15, 2010