EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Allen Catherine A Issuer Symbol EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/ [EE] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 100 N. STANTON 05/26/2016 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting EL PASO, TX 79901 Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common D

05/26/2016 3,500 A \$0 32,574 A Stock

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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transact | 5. ionNumber | 6. Date Exer Expiration D | | 7. Titl Amou | | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu Deriv |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Allen Catherine A | | | | | | | |
| 100 N. STANTON | X | | | | | | |
| EL PASO TX 79901 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Michelle Pedroza, attorney-in-fact for Catherine A.
Allen

05/27/2016

**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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