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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

CLEARY JAMES J

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)

05/01/2005

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

EL PASO CORP/DE [EP]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

EL PASO

CORPORATION, 1001 LOUISIANA STREET

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director _X__ Officer

10% Owner Other

(give title below) (specify below) PRESIDENT-WESTERN P/L **GROUP**

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HOUSTON, TXÂ 77002-

(City) (State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5) Direct (D)

or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

57,921 (1)

Â D

Common Stock

1.491

Ι 401 (K)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security**

4. Conversion or Exercise

Ownership Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	04/01/2005(3)	04/01/2014	Common Stock	53,125	\$ 7.09	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	04/01/2006(3)	04/01/2015	Common Stock	40,573	\$ 10.685	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	12/04/1999	12/03/2008	Common Stock	8,400	\$ 27.4375	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	10/25/2000	10/25/2009	Common Stock	40,000	\$ 42.125	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	12/05/1998	12/04/2007	Common Stock	9,000	\$ 43.8125	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	08/13/2002	08/13/2011	Common Stock	40,000	\$ 46.275	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	12/05/1997	12/04/2006	Common Stock	8,000	\$ 52	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	01/29/2002	01/29/2011	Common Stock	61,375	\$ 62.975	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CLEARY JAMES J						
EL PASO CORPORATION	â	â	PRESIDENT-WESTERN	â		
1001 LOUISIANA STREET	Α	А	P/L GROUP	A		
HOUSTON Â TXÂ 77002-						

Signatures

Alan Bishop (POA)	05/09/2003		
**Signature of	Date		

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- (2) The nonqualified stock options permit the exercise price and/or tax obligation to be satisfied by withholding shares issuable thereunder.
- (3) One fourth of this grant vests each year on the anniversary date of the grant.
- (1) Includes shares of restricted stock which require shares to be withheld to satisfy tax obligations in the event these shares vest.

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Reporting Owners 2

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