EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/ Form 8-K October 29, 2009

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):

October 29, 2009

El Paso Electric Company

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

0-296 (Commission File Number) 74-0607870 (I.R.S. Employer

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

Identification No.)

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

79901 (Zip Code)

(915) 543-5711

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

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ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On October 29, 2009, the Company announced its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2009. A copy of the press release containing the announcement is included as Exhibit 99.01 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference. The Company does not intend for this exhibit to be incorporated by reference into future filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.01 Earnings Press Release, dated October 29, 2009

SIGNATURES

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/ David G. Carpenter

David G. Carpenter

Senior Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

(Duly Authorized Officer and

Principal Financial Officer)

Dated: October 29, 2009