

EL PASO CORP/DE
Form 8-K
December 20, 2005

**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:
December 20, 2005

(Date of Earliest Event Reported: December 20, 2005)

EL PASO CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation or
organization)

1-14365
(Commission File
Number)

76-0568816
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

El Paso Building
1001 Louisiana Street
Houston, Texas 77002

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (713) 420-2600

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Information.

El Paso Corporation announces that its Board of Directors, based upon a recommendation of its Governance & Nominating Committee, appointed Mr. Tom Hix as the Chairman of the Audit Committee, effective January 1, 2006. Mr. Hix, a designated audit committee financial expert, has been a member of the Audit Committee and will continue the strong leadership of the Audit Committee following Mr. Braniff's long and productive three-year tenure as Chairman of the Audit Committee. Mr. Braniff will continue to serve as a member of the Audit Committee.

SIGNATURES

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

EL PASO CORPORATION

By:

***/s/ John R. Sult
John R. Sult
Senior Vice President and Controller
(Principal Accounting Officer)***

Dated: December 20, 2005
