

EL PASO CORP/DE  
Form 8-K  
March 16, 2005

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**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:  
**March 16, 2005**

(Date of Earliest Event Reported: March 16, 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

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 communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On March 16, 2005, we announced unaudited earnings results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2004. We also made available certain operating statistics on our website at [www.elpaso.com](http://www.elpaso.com). A copy of our earnings release is attached as Exhibit 99.A and a copy of our operating statistics is attached as Exhibit 99.B. The attached Exhibits are not filed, but are furnished to comply with Item 2.02 of Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> | <b>Description</b>                  |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 99.A                      | Press Release dated March 16, 2005. |
| 99.B                      | Operating Statistics.               |

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**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/ Jeffrey I. Beason*

**Jeffrey I. Beason**  
*Senior Vice President and Controller*  
*(Principal Accounting Officer)*

**Dated: March 16, 2005**

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