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FORM 4 OMB AUST CONSTRUCTION SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB Number: 2000 Number: 2							
(Print or Type Responses)							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Pers HOLLAND BRANCH PATRIC (Last) (First) (Midd 5203 WIMBLEDON WAY	CIA Z Symbol EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/ [EE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Officer (give title 10% Owner below) Other (specify below)					
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 					
EL PASO, TX 79932		Person					
(City) (State) (Zip	⁹⁾ Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned					
(Instr. 3) an (N	xecution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) ay Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities6. Ownership Form: Direct7. Nature of IndirectBeneficially Owned(D) or Indirect (I)Beneficial OwnershipFollowing Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)(Instr. 4)					
Common 10/01/2005 Stock	A 508 A $\frac{$}{20.85}$	16,706 D					

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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8	ction 8)	5. 6. Date Exercisable an iorNumber Expiration Date of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Unde Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationsh		
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOLLAND BRANCH PATRICIA Z 5203 WIMBLEDON WAY EL PASO, TX 79932	Х			
Signatures				
Norma J. Ayoub as Attorney in Fact for Patricia Z. Holland-Branch				10/04/2005
**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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