EL PASO CORP/DE Form 8-K December 03, 2004

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 3, 2004**

(Date of Earliest Event Reported: December 3, 2004)

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))

Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On November 30, 2004, we repaid (a) the \$117,842,457.61 outstanding principal balance and accrued interest on our promissory note dated effective as of August 16, 2004 to East Coast Power Holding Company L.L.C. and (b) the \$96,088,528.85 outstanding principal balance and accrued interest on our promissory note dated effective as of August 16, 2004 to ECTMI Trutta Holdings LP. We repaid the outstanding balances on these notes out of our available cash. We issued these notes in connection with the termination of two swap agreements and our related guarantees thereof. For more information regarding the termination of the swap agreements, see our Form 8-K filed on October 15, 2004.

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: December 3, 2004