

EL PASO CORP/DE  
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**UNITED STATES  
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**El Paso Corporation**

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
**Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the**  
**Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on May 17, 2011**  
**EL PASO CORPORATION**

*EL PASO CORPORATION*  
*1001 LOUISIANA STREET*  
*ROOM 1595D*  
*HOUSTON, TX 77002*

**Meeting Information**

**Meeting Type:** Annual Meeting of Stockholders

**Meeting Date:** May 17, 2011

**Meeting Time:** 9:00 a.m. CDT

**Location:** Hilton Americas - Houston  
1600 Lamar Street  
Houston, TX 77010

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company. This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares.

This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

The 2011 Notice and Proxy Statement, 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K and 2010 Summary Report are available at [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com).

**See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.**

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**Before You Vote**

How to Access the Proxy Materials

**Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:**

1. 2011 NOTICE AND PROXY STATEMENT 2. 2010 ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K 3. 2010 SUMMARY REPORT

**How to View the Proxy Materials Online:**

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow  $\Rightarrow$  XXXX XXXX XXXX (located on the following page) and visit: [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com).

**How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy of the Proxy Materials:**

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

- 1) *BY INTERNET:* [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com)
- 2) *BY TELEPHONE:* 1-800-579-1639
- 3) *BY E-MAIL\*:* [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com)

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Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before May 3, 2011 to facilitate timely delivery.

**How To Vote**

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

**Vote In Person:** Please review the proxy materials for directions to the Annual Meeting and information on what you will need to bring with you to gain access to the meeting. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

**Vote By Internet:** To vote now by Internet, go to [www.proxyvote.com](http://www.proxyvote.com). Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow  $\Rightarrow$  XXXX XXXX XXXX available and follow the instructions.

**Vote By Mail:** You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the proxy materials, which will include a proxy card.

**Voting Items**

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR EACH DIRECTOR UNDER PROPOSAL 1.**

**1. Election of Directors**

**Nominees:**

- 1a. Juan Carlos Braniff**
- 1b. David W. Crane**
- 1c. Douglas L. Foshee**
- 1d. Robert W. Goldman**
- 1e. Anthony W. Hall, Jr.**
- 1f. Thomas R. Hix**
- 1g. Ferrell P. McClean**
- 1h. Timothy J. Probert**
- 1i. Steven J. Shapiro**
- 1j. J. Michael Talbert**
- 1k. Robert F. Vagt**
- 1l. John L. Whitmire**

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR PROPOSAL 2.**

**2. Approval of the advisory vote on executive compensation.**

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR 1 YEAR ON PROPOSAL 3.**

**3. Advisory vote on the frequency of the advisory vote on executive compensation.**

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR PROPOSAL 4.**

**4. Ratification of the Appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2011.**

