

EL PASO CORP/DE  
Form 8-K  
April 16, 2012

**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 (Date of earliest event reported): **April 16, 2012**

**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)

**45-3953911**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**El Paso Building**  
**1001 Louisiana Street**  
**Houston, Texas 77002**

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**(713) 420-2600**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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)
  
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  
  - 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 Events.**

On April 16, 2012, Kinder Morgan, Inc. (Kinder Morgan) and El Paso Corporation (El Paso) issued a joint press release announcing that the tentative deadline for El Paso's shareholders and equity award holders to elect the form of consideration they wish to receive in El Paso's pending merger with Kinder Morgan is 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on May 23, 2012. A copy of that joint press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference. The election deadline may be extended, in which case Kinder Morgan will issue a press release announcing the new election deadline.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Joint Press Release of Kinder Morgan, Inc. and El Paso Corporation, dated April 16, 2012.

**SIGNATURE**

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 hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: April 16, 2012

**EL PASO CORPORATION**

By:	/s/ Robert W. Baker	
	Name:	Robert W. Baker
	Title:	Executive Vice President and General Counsel

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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