

EL PASO ELECTRIC CO /TX/  
Form 8-K  
December 06, 2002

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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):  
December 6, 2002**

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**EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Texas**  
(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**0-296**  
(Commission File Number)

**74-0607870**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**Stanton Tower, 100 North Stanton, El Paso, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**79901**  
(Zip Code)

**(915) 543-5711**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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**Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure**

El Paso Electric Company (the Company ) issued a news release describing its settlement with the Trial Staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ( FERC ) in the FERC 's pending investigation of the Company and Enron (FERC Docket No. EL02-113-000). A copy of the news release and the Stipulated Facts and Remedies as executed by the Company and the FERC Trial Staff are attached as Exhibits.

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

<b><u>Exhibit Number</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>
99.01	News Release, dated as of December 5, 2002, by the El Paso Electric Company announcing settlement with the FERC Trial Staff
99.02	Stipulated Facts and Remedies, dated as of December 5, 2002, to be filed by the FERC Trial Staff as part of its written testimony

**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 ELECTRIC  
COMPANY**

By:           /s/ Terry Bassham          

Terry  
Bassham  
Executive  
Vice President,  
Chief  
Financial and  
Administrative  
Officer  
(Duly  
Authorized Officer  
and  
Principal  
Financial Officer)

Dated: December 6, 2002