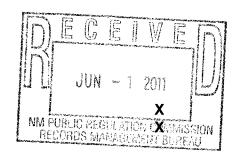
## EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY FIRST REVISED FORM NO. 3 CANCELLING ORIGINAL REVISED FORM NO. 3



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RECEIPT OF DEPOSIT

(SEE ATTACHMENT)

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David G. Carpenter Senior Vice President-Chief Financial

Officer

## El Paso Electric Company Receipt of Deposit

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	<b>Terms and Conditions</b>	

When a customer is applying for new service, El Paso Electric Company ("EPE" or "Company") may require a security deposit. EPE is also entitled to impose a new deposit on existing accounts. EPE may request a security deposit if:

- The customer has not previously had utility service with the Company and has not established an acceptable credit rating;
- The customer has not paid a bill by the date the next bill is rendered on three (3) or more occasions during the prior twelve (12) month period;
- Service has been disconnected for nonpayment and there is no deposit on the account. A deposit is a condition for reconnection of service following discontinuance of service by the Company;
- The customer, who in an unauthorized manner, has interfered with or diverted the service of the Company situated on or about or delivered to the customer's premises.

If EPE requires a security deposit, the deposit will not exceed an amount equivalent to one sixth (1/6) of estimated annual billings from the previous documented history of the account, or not more than one and one-half (1-1/2) times the estimated maximum monthly bill. The Company will base its deposit criteria upon the most recent available prior twelve (12) month corresponding period at the same service location, or if there is not a comparable period of service at the same service location, the deposit will be based upon consumption of similar units in the same area.

All deposits earn simple interest at an annual rate not less than the rate required by state law. Interest accrues and is paid annually to the customer's account for the time the deposit is held by the Company. The deposit will cease to earn interest on the date it is returned, on the date service is terminated, or on the date the refund is sent to the customer's last known address. Annual rates are available by calling EPE at (575) 526-5555 (New Mexico), or toll-free at 1-800-351-1621.

Any residential customer who has not been delinquent three (3) or more times in the twelve (12) month period from the date of a deposit or guarantee will promptly receive a credit or refund in the amount of the deposit together with accrued interest due or will be permitted to terminate any guarantee. If the amount of the deposit exceeds the amount of the current bill, the residential customer may request a refund in the amount of the excess if such excess exceeds twenty-five dollars (\$25). If the residential customer fails to qualify for a refund on the first anniversary date of the deposit, the account will be reviewed at least annually, and the amount of the deposit will be credited if the residential customer has not been delinquent three (3) or more times during the preceding twelve (12) months. A residential customer may request a refund at any time after twelve (12) months payment history, which refund will be promptly paid if the residential customer has not been delinquent three (3) or more times during the prior twelve (12) month period, or the Company may pay such refund in the absence of a request within a reasonable period of time.

Members of New Mexico tribes or pueblos who need help with translation or with other matters relating to their electric service may contact the Director of the Commission's Consumer Relations Division at (888) 427-5772, who will contact the appropriate tribal or pueblo official for assistance.