FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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# INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and A	Address of Reporti	2. Date of Event Statement (Month/Day/Year 07/24/2014	. 0	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol El Pollo Loco Holdings, Inc. [ LOCO ]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EL POLLO LOCO HOLDINGS, INC. 3535 HARBOR BLVD., SUITE 100  (Street) COSTA MESA CA 92626		OLDINGS, INC. UITE 100				tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) Chief Operating (	10% Owne Other (spec below)	r cify	Applicable Line)  X Form filed by	/Group Filing (Check  y One Reporting Person y More than One
(City)	(State)	(Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Sec	eurity (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)				4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securiti Underlying Derivative Security			4. Convers or Exerc	ise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			Date Exercisable	Expiratio Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivativ Security		
Stock Option	ns (right to buy	7)	(1)	07/29/2023	3	Common Stock	11,500	35	D	
Stock Options (right to buy)			(2)	07/29/2023	3	Common Stock	23,000	50	D	

### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The Stock Options were granted under the Corporation's 2012 Stock Option Plan with 1,437.5 options fully vested and 1,437.5 options vesting on July 29, 2014, December 31, 2014, July 29, 2015, December 30,2015, July 29, 2016, December 28, 2016 and July 29, 2017, in certain cases subject to the satisfaction of certain performance conditions.

2. The Stock Options were granted under the Corporation's 2012 Stock Option Plan with 5,750 options fully vested and 2,875 options vesting on July 29, 2014, December 31, 2014, July 29, 2015, December 30,2015, July 29, 2016, December 28, 2016 and July 29, 2017, in certain cases subject to the satisfaction of certain performance conditions.

### Remarks:

/s/ Edith R. Austin, as attorney-

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Edith R. Austin of El Pollo Loco Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") and Anthony Boogert, Edward Mahaney-Walter and Kathleen Miller of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, or any of them signing singly, and with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of the Company, Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 22nd day of July, 2014.

/s/ Kay Bogeajis
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