MEXICO EQUITY & INCOME FUND INC Form SC TO-I July 13, 2009

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549 SCHEDULE TO (Dayle 144 100)

(Rule 14d-100)

Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
THE MEXICO EQUITY AND INCOME FUND, INC.

(Name of Subject Company (issuer))

# THE MEXICO EQUITY AND INCOME FUND, INC.

(Names of Filing Persons (offerer and issuer))

Preferred Stock, Par Value \$0.001 Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

592834204

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)
Attn: Phillip Goldstein, Chairman
The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc.
777 E. Wisconsin Ave., 31st Floor
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202
(866) 700-6104

(Name, address, and telephone number of person authorized to receive notices and communications on behalf of filing persons) copy to:

Thomas R. Westle
Blank Rome LLP
405 Lexington Ave., 23<sup>rd</sup> Floor
New York, New York 10174
Calculation of Filing Fee

Transaction Valuation \$3,804,936(a)

Amount of Filing Fee \$212.31(b)

- (a) Calculated as the aggregate maximum repurchase price to be paid for 603,001 shares (100% of the issued and outstanding shares of preferred stock) in the offer, based upon a price of \$6.31 (99% of net asset value per preferred share at July 10, 2009).
- (b) Calculated as 100% of the Transaction Valuation.
- o Check the box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Rule O-11(a)(2) and identify the filing with which the offsetting fee was previously paid. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the Form or Schedule and the date of its filing.

Amount Previously Paid: Not Applicable Form or Registration No.: Not Applicable Filing Party: Not Applicable Date Filed: Not Applicable

o Check the box if the filing relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer.

Check the appropriate boxes below to designate any transactions to which the statement relates:

- o third-party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.
- b Issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.
- o going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.
- o amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer: o

## **Introductory Statement**

This Issuer Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO relates to an offer by The Mexico Equity and Income Fund, Inc. (the Fund ), a Maryland corporation, to repurchase up to 100% of its issued and outstanding shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share ( Preferred Shares ), or up to 603,001 issued and outstanding Preferred Shares, upon the terms and subject to the conditions contained in the Offer to Repurchase dated July 13, 2009 and the related Letter of Transmittal that are filed as exhibits to this Schedule TO.

This Issuer Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO is being filed in satisfaction of the reporting requirements of Rule 13e-4(c)(2) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

The information in the Offer to Repurchase and the related Letter of Transmittal is incorporated herein by reference in answer to Items 1 through 11 of this Issuer Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO.

#### Item 12. **Exhibits** Offer to Repurchase dated July 13, 2009 (a)(1)(i)Form of Letter of Transmittal (a)(1)(ii)(a)(1)(iii) DTC Delivery Election Form Form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery (a)(1)(iv)(a)(1)(v)Form of Letter to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees. Form of Letter to Stockholders (a)(1)(vi)Form of Letter to Clients of Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other (a)(1)(vii)Nominees. (a)(1)(viii) **Summary Publication** Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Number on Substitute Form W-9 (a)(1)(ix)(a)(2)None Not Applicable (a)(3)Not Applicable (a)(4)Press release issued on July 7, 2009 (a)(5)(b) None None (d) None (g) None (h) Item 13. Information Required by Schedule 13e-3.

Not applicable.

### **SIGNATURE**

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

# THE MEXICO EQUITY AND INCOME FUND, INC.

By: /s/ Maria Eugenia Pichardo Name:Maria Eugenia Pichardo

Title: President

Dated: July 13, 2009

# **EXHIBIT INDEX**

EXHIBIT NO.	EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION	EXHIBIT NO. IN FILING
(a)(1)(i)	Offer to Repurchase dated July 13, 2009	99.(a)(1)(i)
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(a)(1)(ix)	Guidelines for Certification of Taxpayer Identification Number on Substitute Form W-9	99.(a)(1)(ix)
(a)(5)	Press release issued July 7, 2009	99.(a)(5)