EAST WEST BANCORP INC

Form 4

March 03, 2015

FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

GOUW JULIA S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

EAST WEST BANK, 135 N. LOS

ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

PASADENA, CA 91101

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

EAST WEST BANCORP INC [EWBC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/27/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

5. Amount of

Securities

Following

Owned

Beneficially

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(City)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

President

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(I)

(Instr. 4)

below)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership (Instr. 4)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

Estimated average

burden hours per

7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu

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(Instr. 3)	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired ((A)				
	Derivative				or Dispose	ed of				
	Security				(D)					
					(Instr. 3, 4	.,				
					and 5)					
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of
Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/27/2015		A	32,540 (1)		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	32

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GOUW JULIA S
EAST WEST BANK
135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR
PASADENA, CA 91101

X President

Signatures

Julia S. Gouw 03/03/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).

The reported number of units represent the maximum amount of the award. Actual vesting will range depending upon the achievement of pre-established performance goals during the three-year performance period. On the settlement date, for each vested Performance-Based Restricted Units, the reporting person will received one share of the Company's Common Stock. Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units vest in three years.

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