EAST WEST BANCORP INC

Form 4

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

EAST WEST BANCORP INC

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Chen Wellington

(First) (Middle)

EAST WEST BANK, 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/01/2006

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Symbol

[EWBC]

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

A

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

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

PASADENA, CA 91101

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(D) Price Code V Amount

Restricted

(Instr. 3)

Common 12/01/2006 Stock (1)

75

\$0 17,208 A

D

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Chen Wellington EAST WEST BANK 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR PASADENA, CA 91101

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Douglas P. Krause, Attorney-in-Fact

12/05/2006

**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).
- (1) The restricted stocks will vest on December 1, 2009 (3 year cliff vesting).

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