NG DOMINIC Form 4/A March 12, 2012

FORM 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading NG DOMINIC Issuer Symbol

EAST WEST BANCORP INC [EWBC]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

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

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

Chief Executive Officer

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

(State)

03/07/2012

(Middle)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

03/09/2012

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

PASADENA, CA 91101

5. Amount of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D)

(A)

Common 03/07/2012 Stock

\$0 M 9,737 Α 490,785 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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	8) A (I	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code	V ((A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Ratable-Vesting Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/07/2012		M		9,737	<u>(1)</u>	(1)	Common Stock	9,737

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Ketationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				

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

X

Chief Executive Officer

Deletionships

Signatures

Douglas P. Krause, Attorney-in-Fact

03/12/2012

**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) Restricted Stock Units will vest in three annual installments beginning March 7, 2012. On the settlement date, for each vested RSU, the reporting person will receive one share of Common Stock. Vesting is also subject to meeting pre-established earning goals.

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