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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Chen Wellington			Symbol EAST WEST BANCORP INC [EWBC]	Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) EAST WEST BANK, 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR		35 N. LOS	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2010	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

PASADENA, CA 91101

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

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

Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

		Tuble 1 Tion Berryadive Securities required, Disposed on, or Beneficially Symbol							
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired	l (A) o	r	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed	of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Restricted			Couc ,	7 IIIIOUIII	(2)	11100			
	02/02/2010			1.550	٨	Φ.Ω	20.254	Ъ	
Common	03/02/2010		A	4,550	A	\$ 0	29,354	D	
Stock (1)									

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	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 03/03/2010

**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 will vest on March 2, 2013(3 year cliff vesting).

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