EAST WEST BANCORP INC
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(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)

PASADENA, CA 91101

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
EAST WEST BANCORP INC [EWBC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/08/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/08/2015		M		14,966	A	$ 0	238,502	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2015		F		5,750	D	$ 40.49	232,752	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2015		M		12,245	A	$ 0	244,997	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2015		F		4,244	D	$ 40.49	240,753	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)

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. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar or Nu of
Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/08/2015		M			14,966	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	14
Time-Based Restricted Stock Units	(2)	03/08/2015		M			12,245	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	12

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GOUW JULIA S EAST WEST BANK 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR PASADENA, CA 91101	X		President	

Signatures

Douglas P. Krause, Attorney-in-Fact	03/10/2015
**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).

(1) Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units granted on March 8, 2012 fully vest in three years. Number of vested units depends on meeting pre-established performance criteria. As of March 8, 2015, 100% of the units granted on March 8, 2012 were settled. On the settlement date, for each vested Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit, the reporting person received one share of Common Stock.

(2) Time-Based Restricted Stock Units granted on March 8, 2012 fully vest in three years. Vesting is also subject to meeting pre-established earning goals. As of March 8, 2015, 100% of the units granted on March 8, 2012 were settled. On the settlement date, for each vested

Time-Based Restricted Stock Unit, the reporting person received one share of Common Stock.

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