EAST WEST BANCORP INC

Form 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GOUW JULIA S**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

EAST WEST BANCORP INC [EWBC]

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Executive Vice President

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/04/2007

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

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

(Street)

(State)

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

PASADENA, CA 91101

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 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 (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Code V Amount

Restricted

(City)

Common 12/04/2007 100 \$0 145,342 D Α A

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title Amou		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Monun Day/ Year)	execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Under Securi	lying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
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GOUW JULIA S						
EAST WEST BANK	X		Executive Vice President			
135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR	Λ		Executive vice President			
PASADENA, CA 91101						

Signatures

Julia S. Gouw 12/06/2007

**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 stock will vest on December 4, 2010 (3 year cliff vesting).

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