

EAST WEST BANCORP INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
YEN ANDY

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
EAST WEST BANCORP, INC., 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE 7TH FLR
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/07/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

PASADENA, CA 91101

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/07/2017		M	6,784 A	\$ 42,343	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2017		F	2,398 D	\$ 54.87 39,945	D	
Common Stock					493	I	401 (K) Plan

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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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Cliff-Vesting Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/07/2017		M	6,784	(1) 03/07/2017	Common Stock 6,784

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
YEN ANDY EAST WEST BANCORP, INC. 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE 7TH FLR PASADENA, CA 91101			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ Felicia Yu, as Attorney-in-fact 03/08/2017

**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 ("RSU") granted on March 7, 2014 fully vest after three years on March 7, 2017. Each RSU represents the right to receive, at settlement, one share of common stock.

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