CHERNG PEGGY

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **CHERNG PEGGY**

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/06/2009

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

EAST WEST BANCORP, INC., 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH

FLOOR

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Code

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PASADENA, CA 91101

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Execution Date, if

Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

Reported

Transaction(s)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership (Instr. 4)

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A) Amount Code V

(D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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Preferred 11/06/2009 Stock

15,000 Α

15,000

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHERNG PEGGY
EAST WEST BANCORP, INC.
135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR
PASADENA, CA 91101



Signatures

Douglas P. Krause, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

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).

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