KRAUSE DOUGLAS PAUL

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FORM 4

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

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

EAST WEST BANCORP INC

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

KRAUSE DOUGLAS PAUL

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

EAST WEST BANK, 135 N. LOS

ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR

(Street)

PASADENA, CA 91101

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

X_ Officer (give title below) **Executive Vice President**

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

[EWBC]

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

03/07/2011

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

Owned

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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**

2. Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amount o **Underlying Securities**

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(Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Ratable-Vesting Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	03/07/2011		A		2,942		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,942
Cliff-Vesting Restricted Stock Units	(2)	03/07/2011		A		3,591		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	3,591

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KRAUSE DOUGLAS PAUL EAST WEST BANK 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR PASADENA, CA 91101

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Douglas Paul

Krause 03/09/2011

**Signature of 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 will vest in three annual installments beginning March 7, 2012. On the settlement date, for each vested RSU, the reporting person will receive one share of Common Stock. Vesting is also subject to meeting pre-established earning goals.
- Performance Restricted Stock Units vest in 3 years. Number of units that will vest depends on meeting performance criteria. 3,591 units (2) are for the performance maximum if pre-established performance goals are met. On the settlement date, for each vested RSU, the reporting person will receive one share of Common Stock.

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