

EAST WEST BANCORP INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
NG DOMINIC

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**EAST WEST BANK, 415
 HUNTINGTON DRIVE**

(Street)

SAN MARINO, CA 91108

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
10/31/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	10/31/2005		M		76,300	A	\$ 5 313,443
Common Stock	10/31/2005		S		76,300	D	Ⓣ 237,143
Common Stock	11/01/2005		M		123,700	A	\$ 5 360,843
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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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5	10/31/2005		M	76,300	06/25/1999 ⁽²⁾	06/25/2008	Common Stock	76,300
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5	11/01/2005		M	123,700	06/25/1999 ⁽²⁾	06/25/2008	Common Stock	123,700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NG DOMINIC EAST WEST BANK 415 HUNTINGTON DRIVE SAN MARINO, CA 91108	X		President & CEO	

Signatures

Douglas P. Krause,
Attorney-in-Fact

11/01/2005

**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) Sales prices of securities sold range from \$38.00 to \$38.44
- (2) The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on June 25, 1999

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