

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

June 18, 2019

Dominic Ng
Chief Executive Officer
East West Bancorp, Inc.
135 North Los Robles Ave., 7th Floor
Pasadena, California 91101

Re: East West Bancorp, Inc.
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018
Filed February 27, 2019
Form 8-K Furnished April 18, 2019

File No. 000-24939

Dear Mr. Ng:

We have completed our review of your filings. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Financial Services