EAST WEST BANCORP, INC. EAST WEST BANK

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHARTER

MISSION

The Executive Committee is jointly appointed by the Board of Directors of East West Bancorp, Inc. and East West Bank (collectively, the "Company") to provide an efficient means of considering such matters and taking such actions as may require the attention of the Board or the exercise of the Board's powers in the interval between meetings of the Board or that in the judgment of the Executive do not require detailed consideration by the full Board.

MEMBERSHIP

The Executive Committee shall consist of three members, at least one of whom shall be a non-management director. Two directors shall constitute a quorum. The General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of the Company shall be a non-voting member of the Committee.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

The Committee shall perform the functions and have the responsibilities described below:

In all instances where the Committee deems necessary or appropriate, the Committee shall have and may exercise all of the powers of the Board so far as may be permitted by applicable laws and by the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws of the Company. Exercise of power shall not be construed as authorizing action by the Committee with respect to: filling vacancies in the Board of Directors; filling vacancies in any committee of the Board of Directors (including this Committee); appointing committees of the Board of Directors; designation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer; removal of members of any committee of the Board of Directors (including this Committee); declaration on any dividend; authorizing the issuance or repurchase of stock; recommending to shareholders or approval of tender offers, exchange offers or sales, leases,

exchanges of all or substantially all of EWBC's property and assets; taking any action which, under any applicable securities, tax, banking or other laws, rules and regulations or requirements applicable to Nasdaq Global Select Market issuers, may only be taken by a committee of directors meeting certain qualifications if the Committee members do not meet those qualifications; taking any action reserved to the shareholders of the Company; taking any action not permitted to be taken by a committee of the Board of Directors by applicable laws, the Company's Articles of Incorporation and By-laws.

- Provide regular reports of its activities to the Board.
- Maintain appropriate minutes of its meetings and makes such material readily available for inspection by any Director, whether or not an Executive Committee member.

MEETINGS

Meetings of the Committee will be held as deemed appropriate by any member of the Committee.

OUTSIDE ADVISORS

The Executive Committee shall have the authority to retain special accounting, legal or other consultants to advise the Committee as deemed appropriate by the Committee. The Committee shall have authority to pay all fees and expenses of such outside advisors as it deems appropriate.