EAST WEST BANCORP INC Form 8-K January 25, 2017

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 25, 2017

EAST WEST BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-24939 95-4703316

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

135 N Los Robles Ave., 7th Floor, Pasadena, California 91101 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(626) 768-6000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 25, 2017, East West Bancorp, Inc. announced, via press release, its results of operations for the quarter ended December 31, 2016. A copy of the press release is included in this report as Exhibit 99.1 and furnished herewith.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release, dated January 25, 2017, issued by East West Bancorp, Inc.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

EAST WEST BANCORP, INC.

Date: January 25, 2017 By:/s/ Irene H. Oh

Irene H. Oh Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release, dated January 25, 2017, issued by East West Bancorp, Inc.