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Company Profile and Investment Overview

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Our Vision

To be recognized as the Premier Bridge between East and West,

and acknowledged for delivering relationship driven financial solutions to an increasingly diverse and sophisticated customer base.

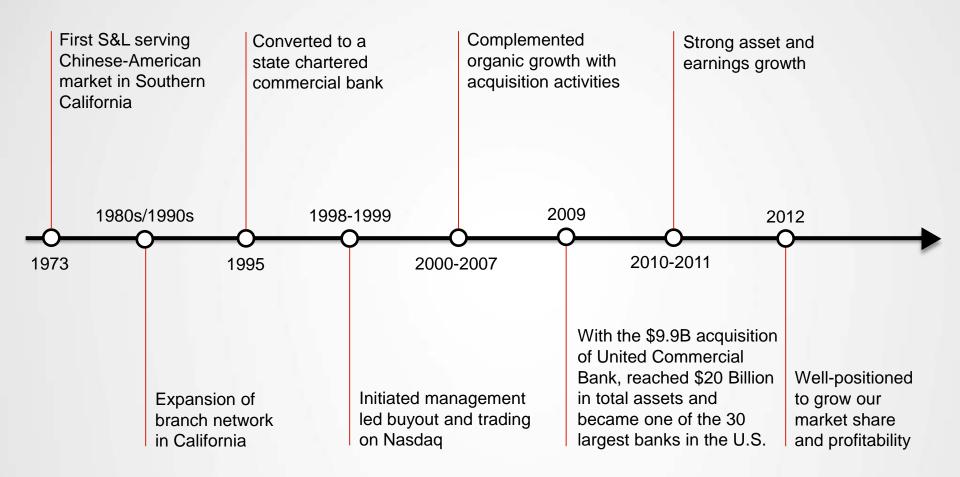


East West Today (as of September 30, 2012)

- Market Capitalization of \$3.0 Billion
 - 25th Largest Market Capitalization in the U.S. for Public Banks
- Total Assets of \$21.8 Billion
 - 28th Largest Total Assets in the U.S. for Public Banks
 - 2nd Largest Independent Bank Headquartered in Southern California
- Ranked in the Top 10 of the 100 Best Banks in America by Forbes for two consecutive years (2011, 2010)
- Strong Earnings
 - Record Net Income of \$245 million in 2011
 - ROE of 12.4% for Q3 2012
- Over 120 Locations Worldwide
- Full Service Branches in Greater China
- 2,277 Employees

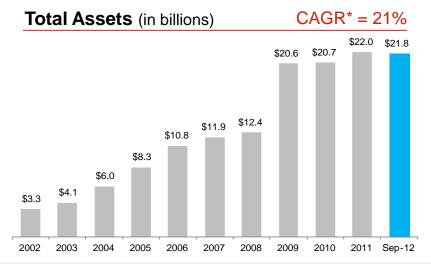


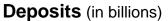
East West Bank Milestones



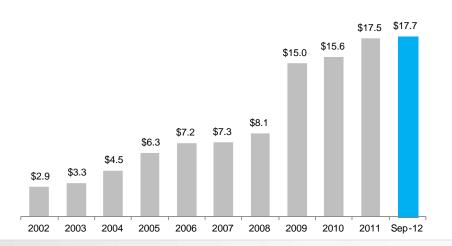


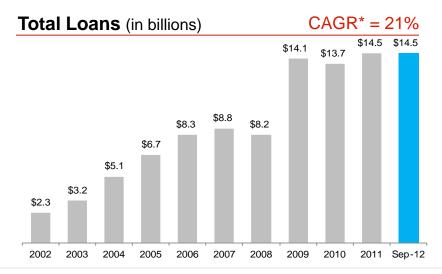
Strong Growth and Performance (in billions)

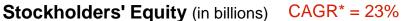


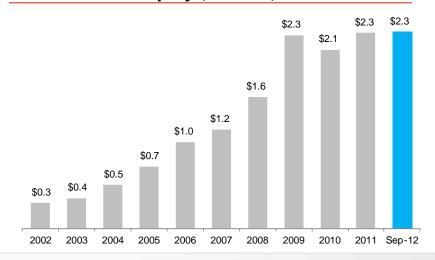












* CAGR from 2002 - September 30, 2012



Top 25 Banks by Market Capitalization (in billions)

		Market Capitalization at 9/30/12
Rank	Company	(in billions)
1	Wells Fargo & Co.	\$182.39
2	JPMorgan Chase & Co.	153.77
3	Citigroup Inc.	95.95
4	Bank of America Corp.	95.16
5	U.S. Bancorp	65.01
6	PNC Financial Services Group	33.41
7	Capital One Financial Corp.	33.12
8	Bank of New York Mellon Corp.	26.72
9	BB&T Corp.	23.18
10	State Street Corp.	20.10
11	SunTrust Banks Inc.	15.22
12	Fifth Third Bancorp	14.25
13	M&T Bank Corp.	12.06

Rank	Company	Market Capitalization at 9/30/12 (in billions)
14	Northern Trust Corp.	\$11.16
15	Regions Financial Corp.	10.17
16	KeyCorp	8.25
17	Comerica Inc.	6.01
18	Huntington Bancshares Inc.	5.92
19	First Republic Bank	4.50
20	BOK Financial Corp.	4.03
21	Zions Bancorp.	3.80
22	Commerce Bancshares Inc.	3.53
23	Cullen/Frost Bankers Inc.	3.53
24	Signature Bank	3.14
25	East West Bancorp Inc.	\$3.00

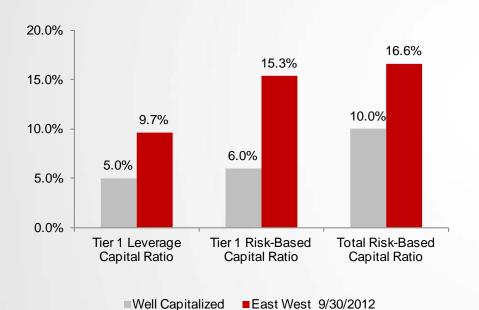
Source: SNL Financial (includes all publicly traded banks)



Strong Capital Generation

East West Capital Levels Compared to Well Capitalized Guidelines

East West has excess capital above the well capitalized requirement by more than \$850 million



East West Book Value Growth December 2010 to September 2012

East West has grown book value per common share by 17% since 2010 and 7% since 2011





Capital Management Goals

- > Ensure excellent capital levels to support organic growth
- Provide a strong return to our shareholders

2011

Recent Capital Actions Taken

Doubled annual dividend from Increased annual dividend from \$0.04 to \$0.20 per share \$0.20 to \$0.40 per share Repurchased 9.1 million shares of Called or bought back \$23.4 million of junior subordinated common stock at \$200.0 million, under the 2012 authorized stock debt which carried rates over 10% repurchase program Repaid \$306.5 million of Paid off \$75.0 million of TARP preferred stock subordinated debt which carried an effective interest rate of 1.6%

2012



2010

Our Distribution Channel

- Leading retail presence in Asian communities
- Commercial banking centers strategically located
- In-store branches located in 99 Ranch Markets, largest and fastest growing Asian supermarket chain
- Only Chinese-American focused bank with full service banking offices in U.S. and China

United States

(115 Branches)

California - 95 Branches:

Northern California - 30 Locations:

- 28 Full Service Branches
- 2 In-Store 99 Ranch Market Branches

Southern California - 65 Locations:

- 56 Full Service Branches
- 9 In-Store 99 Ranch Market Branches

New York – 6 Branches Georgia – 5 Branches Massachusetts – 3 Branches Texas – 2 Branches Washington – 4 Branches

Greater China

(7 Locations)

Full Service Branches - 3 Hong Kong, Shanghai and Shantou

Representative Offices - 4
Beijing, Guangzhou, Shenzhen, and Taipei



Making the U.S. – Greater China Connection

- Headquartered in California, East West Bank is a top performing commercial bank with exclusive focus on the United States and Greater China markets, including full service branches in China.
- Greater China is an increasingly important constituent of the global economy
 - Investors from Greater China making investments in U.S.
 - Cross-border trade between U.S. and Greater China companies
- Bank of choice for new immigrant Chinese-Americans
- The financial bridge between the East and West
 - Leading market share in the Chinese-American market The East
 - Growing position in key mainstream banking markets The West
 - Strengthening network to support cross border business The East and West



The Premier Bridge Between East and West

- Extensive network of contacts and resources in the area provides invaluable access to clients
 - Assist clients in cross-border business and personal financial objectives
 - Bridge customers to manufacturers, distributors and investors in China
 - > Bridge customers in China to business opportunities and personal goals in the U.S.
- Understanding of cultural and business practices on both sides of the Pacific enables us to guide clients through complex business and financial landscapes
- Gateway to U.S. Asian communities for mainstream corporations
 - Companies and organizations such as Southern California Edison, Staples,
 Verizon, Caltech, Sempra Energy, and the LA Lakers sought East West to tap into U.S. Asian communities and partner in "Green" initiatives



Third Quarter 2012 Highlights

- Strong Earnings
 - Net Income was \$71.1 million or \$0.48 per share
 - > EPS up 17% from third quarter 2011
- Solid ROE and ROA
 - ROE increased to 12.4% up from 11.0% in third quarter 2011
 - ROA increased to 1.30%, up from 1.13% in third quarter 2011
- Strong Net Interest Margin of 3.95%
- Cost of Deposits Down 24 bps from Q3 2011 to 0.41%
- Strong Expense Control with Efficiency Ratio of 42.2%
- Strong Loan Growth
 - Commercial & Trade Finance loans grew to \$3.7 billion
 - > Single family loans grew to \$2.1 billion
- Core Deposits Grew to a record \$11.4 billion
- Strengthening Asset Quality
 - Net charge-offs on non-covered loans remain low at \$10.6 million for the third quarter of 2012
 - Nonperforming assets down to 0.66% of total assets
 - Maintaining strong allowance for loan losses on non-covered loans of 2.00% as of September 30, 2012

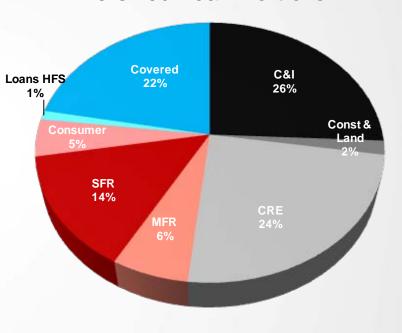


Strong Loan Growth

Strong non-covered C&I Loan growth of \$1.75 billion or 88% from 2010

					Change From		
(in billions)				12/31/10 to 9/30/12			
Loan Category	09/30/12	12/31/11	12/31/10	\$	%		
SFR	2.07	1.80	1.12	0.95	85%		
C&I & Trade Finance	3.73	3.14	1.98	1.75	88%		
CRE	3.52	3.49	3.39	0.13	4%		
MFR	0.91	0.93	0.97	-0.06	-6%		
Consumer	0.67	0.58	0.73	-0.06	-8%		
Const & Land	0.25	0.34	0.51	-0.26	-51%		
Covered	3.18	3.93	4.81	-1.63	-34%		
Loans Held for Sale	0.16	0.28	0.22	-0.06	-27%		
Total Loans	14.49	14.49	13.73	0.76	6%		

Diversified Loan Portfolio



Strong Credit Quality

(\$ in millions)	09/30/12	06/30/12	12/31/11	
NPAs				
Total NPAs	\$144.1	\$155.7	\$175.0	
NPA to Total Assets	0.66%	0.72%	0.80%	
Nonaccrual loans to total loans	0.72%	0.78%	1.00%	
Allowance for Loan Losses				
ALLL to non-covered nonaccrual loans	214.85%	195.18%	144.11%	
ALLL to total gross non-covered loans*	2.00%	2.03%	2.04%	
Credit Costs				
Quarterly Annualized Charge-off %*	0.38%	0.44%	0.83%	
Quarterly Provision for Loan Losses on Non-covered Loans	\$13.32	\$16.60	\$19.79	

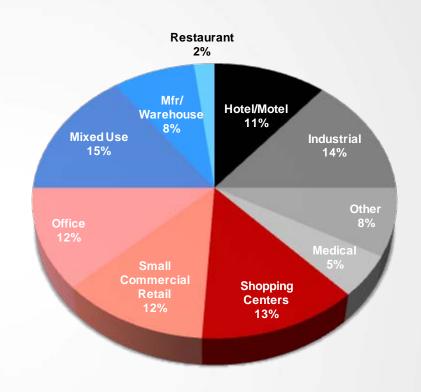
- Asset Quality Continues to Remain Strong
- NPAs have remained under 1% of total assets for 12 consecutive quarters
- Net Charge-offs Continue to Decline while ALLL level remains strong



^{*} Excludes covered loans

Diversified Commercial Real Estate Portfolio

Non-covered CRE Loans as of 9/30/12			
Loan Balance	\$3.5	Billion	
Average Loan Size	\$1.4	Million	
Average LTV		54% *	
Average Seasoning	5	Years	





^{*} Based on original appraisal

Commercial Real Estate Portfolio

- Non-covered CRE loans total 24% of loans as of September 30, 2012
- East West is well within the FFIEC high CRE concentration definition
 - CRE, construction, land, and MFR to total capital is at 173% under the 300%
 FFIEC threshold
 - Construction and land loans to total capital is at 11% under the 100% FFIEC threshold
- As of September 30, 2012:
 - Nonaccrual CRE to CRE = 0.59%
 - 30-89 day delinquent CRE to CRE = 0.58%
 - Q3 2012 charge-offs of CRE = 0.28%*

* Annualized



Commercial Real Estate Loans by LTV

- Only 7% of portfolio with an LTV greater than 75%
- Weighted average LTV is 54%*

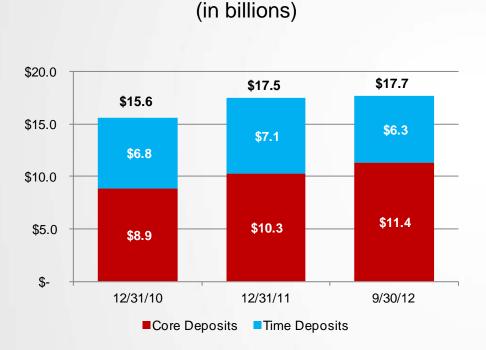
		(\$ in millions)		
CLTV Distribution at September 30, 2012	# of Loans	Balance	% of Total	Cumulative % of Total
Less than 50%	1,297	\$ 1,417	40%	40%
50% to 55%	353	471	14%	54%
55% to 60%	364	523	15%	69%
60% to 65%	285	497	14%	83%
65% to 70%	132	255	7%	90%
70% to 75%	60	105	3%	93%
75% and Above	87	252	7%	100%
Total Loans	2,578	\$ 3,520	100%	



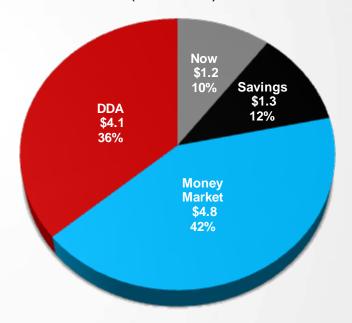
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Strong Deposit Growth

- Total deposits of \$17.7 billion as of September 30, 2012, an increase of \$2.1 billion from 2010
- Core deposits grew to a record \$11.4 billion in the third quarter of 2012



Core Deposits – September 30, 2012 (in billions)



Key Focus Areas

Grow C&I loans as a percentage of total loans

Actively manage capital to deliver long term shareholder value

Build fee-based business lines, i.e. F/X and cash management

Remain disciplined on expense management

2012 and beyond

Maintain strong and stable net interest margin

Increase profitability and expand market footprint

Grow core deposits and improve deposit mix

Maintain low NPA/total assets and total delinquency ratios



Summary

- Strengthened position as the leading Asian-American bank
- Financially bridge Asian and mainstream customers
- Strong financial performance and balance sheet
- Focusing on growing core earnings and fee income
- Large California, domestic, and China growth opportunities
- Only Asian-American focused bank with full service banking offices in U.S. and China

