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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addr EGGEMEYER	*	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PACWEST BANCORP [PACW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)			
P.O. BOX 1329	9		(Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2008	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
RANCHO SAN	NTA FE, C	A 92067	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	-Derivative Securities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock	12/15/2008		A	2,024 A \$ 23.5606	64,630 (1)	I	Directors' plan
Common stock					263,375	D	
Common stock					2,646	I	As trustee
Common stock					1,384,715	I	Castle Creek Funds (2)

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired		ate	Amou Under Secur	le and ant of rlying rities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo
	·				(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Chairman of the Board

EGGEMEYER JOHN M III P.O. BOX 1329

RANCHO SANTA FE, CA 92067

Signatures

John M.

Eggemeyer 12/15/2008

**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) Represents the right to receive value equivalent to stated number of shares of PacWest Bancorp common stock under PacWest Bancorp's Directors Deferred Compensation Plan settlable in shares of PacWest Bancorp common stock.
 - In addition to John M. Eggemeyer, III, this form is filed by Eggemeyer Advisory Corp. ("EAC"); William J. Ruh; WJR Corp.; Castle Creek Capital LLC ("CCC"); Castle Creek Capital Partners Fund IIa, LP ("Fund IIa"); and Castle Creek Capital Partners Fund IIb, LP
- ("Fund IIb"). CCC is the sole general partner of Fund IIa and Fund IIb. Accordingly, securities owned by Fund IIa and by Fund IIb may be regarded as being beneficially owned by CCC. EAC and WJR Corp. are controlling persons of CCC. Accordingly, securities owned by CCC may be regarded as being beneficially owned by EAC and WJR Corp. Mssrs. Eggemeyer and Ruh are the sole shareholders of EAC and WJR Corp, respectively.

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