

PETSAS WILLIAM D

Form 4

December 21, 2012

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
PETSAS WILLIAM D

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
EASTGROUP PROPERTIES INC
[EGP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2200 E. CAMELBACK ROAD,
SUITE 210

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/19/2012

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Senior Vice President

(Street)
PHOENIX, AZ 85016

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/19/2012		F		2,033	D	\$ 53.24 (1)
					107,082	(2)	D (3)

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)**

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PETSAS WILLIAM D 2200 E. CAMELBACK ROAD, SUITE 210 PHOENIX, AZ 85016			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Michael C. Donlon, Attorney-in-Fact for William D. Petsas

12/20/2012

__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) On December 19, 2012, 7,692 restricted shares vested and the Reporting Person instructed the Company to withhold 2,033 shares to cover tax withholding obligations as permitted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.
- (2) As of the date hereof, the Reporting Person's direct beneficial ownership includes 35,428 restricted shares granted under the Company's 2004 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended, that have not yet vested.
- (3) Owned by the Reporting Person and his spouse as co-trustees for the Petsas Revocable Trust.

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