CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

Form 4

December 20, 2013

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Tai Pin

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

[CATY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/18/2013

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify below)

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP, 9650 FLAIR DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

EVP, CLO, Cathay Bank

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

EL MONTE, CA 91731

(Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(A) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

4,771

D

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	12/18/2013		A	9,523 (1)	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	9,523	\$
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	12/18/2013		A	9,823 (1)	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	9,823	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Tai Pin			EVP,				
CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP			CLO,				
9650 FLAIR DRIVE			Cathay				
EL MONTE, CA 91731			Bank				

Signatures

Monica Chen, attorney-in-fact 12/20/2013

**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).
- Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock upon vesting. The number of restricted (1) stock units that are earned can be reduced by up to 100% of the target award or increased by up to 150% of the target award, depending upon the achievement of certain performance criteria.
- These restricted stock units are scheduled to vest in a single installment on December 31, 2016, subject to continued employment, but (2) may vest to some extent earlier in the event of death, disability, retirement after December 31, 2015 or a change in control, with the number of units earned being based on the achievement of certain performance Criteria.

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