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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** WONG IRWIN	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP [CATY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 777 NORTH BROADWAY	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2014	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP - Chief Risk Officer			
(Street)	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			
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012		Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
		` '	Code V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock			Couc ,	Timount	(B) Thee	22,908.26 (1)	D	
Common Stock						16,768	I	By ESOP

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)	4. Transa Code (Instr.		Derivative		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) curities equired) or sposed (D) sstr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr. :
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	03/13/2014	A		821 (2)		<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	821	\$ (

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WONG IRWIN 777 NORTH BROADWAY LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

EVP - Chief Risk Officer

Signatures

Monica Chen, attorney-in-fact 03/17/2014

**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) Includes 11.069 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment year-to-date.
 - Consists of long term restricted stock units within the meaning of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, as amended from
- (2) time to time, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder ("EESA"). Each unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of CATY Common Stock.
- (3) These restricted stock units are scheduled to vest in a single installment on March 13, 2016, or earlier in the event of death or disability.

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