#### CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TANG ANTHONY M | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP<br>[CATY] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer (Check all applicable)                        |
|--|--|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 777 NORTH BROADWAY               | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/25/2013                        | _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP                          |
| (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 |
| LOS ANGELES, CA 90012                                    |  | 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 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Code Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 11/25/2013 S 20,000 D 423,632 D 26.6097 Stock Common 11/26/2013 S 30,000 D 393,632 D 26,7942 Stock Common S D 11/27/2013 30,000 D 363,632 27.1268 Stock Common Ι 88,997 By ESOP Stock Common 1,722,625.36 By (1) Stock spouse

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisab<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year |                    | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Securities                          |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                     | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 37   |   |   |  |   | 02/17/2006(2)   | 02/17/2015         | Common<br>Stock                           | 39,820                              |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 36.24  |   |   |  |   | 01/25/2007(2)   | 01/25/2016         | Common<br>Stock                           | 42,690                              |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 23.37  |   |   |  |   | 02/21/2009(2)   | 02/21/2018         | Common<br>Stock                           | 44,000                              |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (3)   |   |   |  |   | <u>(4)</u>  | <u>(4)</u>         | Common<br>Stock                           | 6,047                               |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (3)   |   |   |  |   | (5)   | <u>(5)</u>         | Common<br>Stock                           | 4,819                               |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (3)   |   |   |  |   | <u>(6)</u>  | <u>(6)</u>         | Common<br>Stock                           | 7,964                               |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| •                              | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| TANG ANTHONY M                 |               |           |         |       |
| 777 NORTH BROADWAY             | X             |           | EVP     |       |
| LOS ANGELES, CA 90012          |               |           |         |       |

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# **Signatures**

Monica Chen, attorney-in-fact 11/27/2013

\*\*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).
- (1) Includes 400.108 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment year-to-date.
- (2) The option is fully exercisable.
- Consists of long term restricted stock units within the meaning of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, as amended from
- (3) 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.
- (4) These restricted stock units are scheduled to vest in a single installment on December 15, 2013, or earlier in the event of death or disability, and are subject to certain transfer restrictions under EESA.
- (5) These restricted stock units are scheduled to vest in a single installment on May 8, 2014, or earlier in the event of death or disability, and are subject to certain transfer restrictions under EESA.
- (6) These restricted stock units are scheduled to vest in a single installment on December 20, 2014, or earlier in the event of death or disability, and are subject to certain transfer restrictions under EESA.

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