CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Tai Pin

(Last) (First) (Middle)

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP, 9650 FLAIR DRIVE

(Street)

EL MONTE, CA 91731

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP [CATY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/16/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, Deputy CLO, Cathay Bank

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

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	08/16/2013		A		369 (1)	A	$ 0	2,322	D	
Common Stock								1,664	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)

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)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	$ 24.8							11/20/2004[2]	11/20/2013	Common Stock	16,180
Stock Option	$ 28.695							02/19/2005[2]	02/19/2014	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Option	$ 37							02/17/2006[2]	02/17/2015	Common Stock	14,710
Stock Option	$ 36.9							01/19/2007[2]	01/19/2016	Common Stock	13,750
Stock Option	$ 23.37							02/21/2009[2]	02/21/2018	Common Stock	25,000
Restricted Stock Units	[3]							[4]	[4]	Common Stock	4,938
Restricted Stock Units	[3]							[5]	[5]	Common Stock	3,084
Restricted Stock Units	[3]							[6]	[6]	Common Stock	3,981
Restricted Stock Units	[3]							[7]	[7]	Common Stockd	3,973

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Tai Pin CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP			EVP, Deputy CLO, Cathay Bank	

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EL MONTE, CA 91731

Signatures

Monica Chen, attorney-in-fact	08/20/2013
**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).

(1) Shares of Cathay General Banorp (the "Company") common stock acquired under the Company's 2005 Incentive Plan. As a condition to receiving these shares, the reporting person agreed to hold and not transfer, for the entire period during which the Company has any obligations outstandig under the U.S. Treasury's Troubled Asset Relief Program (disregarding any warrants to purchase common stock of the Company that the U.S. Treasury may hold) (the "Restriction Period"), all of the shares received. These transfer restrictions will terminate upon the earlier of the end of the Restriction Period or the date of the reporting person's death or permanent disability.

(2) The option is fully exercisable.

(3) Consists of long term restricted stock units within the meaning of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, as amended from 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 March 14, 2015, or earlier in the event of death or disability, and are subject to certain transfer restrictions under EESA.

(7) These restricted stock units are scheduled to vest in a single installment on April 15, 2015, or earlier in the event of death or disability, and are subject to certain transfer restrictions under EESA.

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