CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

Form 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WU PETER			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP [CATY]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) 777 NORTH	(First) (M	(N	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2013					_X_ Director _X_ Officer (give below) Executive			
		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 ANGE						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non	ı-De	rivative	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution D any (Month/Day	Date, if	Code (Instr. 8	etion 3)	4. Securi (A) or Di (Instr. 3,	isposed	of (D)	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	· · ·	
Common Stock	12/13/2013	M <u>(1)</u>	9,116	A	\$0	31,217	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2013	S(2)	3,381	D	\$ 25.54	27,836	D	
Common Stock							I	By PACJU, LLC

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. 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. P. Derri Secti (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (4)	12/13/2013		M	9,116	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	9,116	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships							
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
WU PETER								
777 NORTH BROADWAY	X		Executive Vice Chairman/COO					
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012								

Signatures

Monica Chen, Attorney-in-fact

**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) Represents the conversion into Common Stock upon vesting of the restricted stock units reported on Table II.
- (2) These sales were effected to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligations with respect to the vesting of the restricted stock units.

Common Stock previously held by the Trust to PACJU, LLC ("PACJU"), a Delaware limited liability company of which the Trust will serve as Manager and hold a 51.5% interest, with the reporting person and his spouse each holding a .5% ownership interest in PACJU in their own names. The balance of the interests in PACJU will be held by the reporting person's adult children, none of whom shares a household with the reporting person. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of CATY Stock held by PACJU except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

The reporting person is a co-trustee, together with his spouse, of the Wu Trust (the "Trust"), which has transferred the shares of CATY

(4) Each restricted stock unit represented a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of the Issuer.

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(5) The reporting person previously reported the award of 9,116 shares of restricted stock units on Form 4 filed December 16, 2011. All of these restricted stock units vested on December 13, 2013.

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