

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 \_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
X Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP, CLO, Cathay Bank

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 CATHAY GENERAL  
 BANCORP, 9650 FLAIR DRIVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/08/2014

EL MONTE, CA 91731

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/08/2014		M <sup>(1)</sup>	3,084 A	\$ 0 <u>(2)</u> 7,855	D	
Common Stock					789.25	I	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)	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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/08/2014		M	3,084	<sup>(3)</sup> / <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	3,084

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Monica Chen,  
attorney-in-fact

05/12/2014

\_\_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) Represents the conversion into Common Stock upon vesting of the restricted stock units reported on Table II.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represented a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of the Issuer.
- (3) The reporting person previously reported the award of 3,084 shares of restricted stock units on Form 4 filed May 10, 2012. All of these restricted stock units vested on May 8, 2014.

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