

CHENG DUNSON K
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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 *
CHENG DUNSON K

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
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman, President, & CEO

LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	19,540	D	
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	62,660	D	
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	102,224	I	By ESOP
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	445,577	I	Husband & Wife Trust
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	182,452	I	Nonmarital Shares Trust

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Stock Option	\$ 19.925					01/16/2004 ⁽¹⁾	01/16/2013	Common Stock	153,
Stock Option	\$ 24.8					11/20/2004 ⁽¹⁾	11/20/2013	Common Stock	246,
Stock Option	\$ 37					02/17/2006 ⁽¹⁾	02/17/2015	Common Stock	154,
Stock Option	\$ 32.47					03/22/2005 ⁽¹⁾	03/22/2015	Common Stock	245,
Stock Option	\$ 33.54					11/20/2005 ⁽¹⁾	05/12/2015	Common Stock	264,
Stock Option	\$ 36.24					01/25/2007 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2016	Common Stock	154,
Stock Option	\$ 23.37					02/21/2009 ⁽²⁾	02/21/2018	Common Stock	154,
Stock Option	\$ 23.37					02/21/2009 ⁽¹⁾	02/21/2018	Common Stock	100,
Restricted Stock Units	⁽³⁾					⁽⁴⁾	⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	12,3
Restricted Stock Units	⁽³⁾					⁽⁵⁾	⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock	21,9
Restricted Stock Units	⁽³⁾					⁽⁶⁾	⁽⁶⁾	Common Stock	11,8
	⁽³⁾	12/20/2012		A	30,481	⁽⁷⁾	⁽⁷⁾		30,4

