

WU PETER  
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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 \*  
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) (First) (Middle)  
777 NORTH BROADWAY  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/15/2013

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice Chairman/COO

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)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/15/2013		A	450 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 0	10,367	D	
Common Stock					874,299 <sup>(2)</sup>	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. 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	\$ 28.695					02/19/2005 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/19/2014	Common Stock	100,000
Stock Option	\$ 37					02/17/2006 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/17/2015	Common Stock	72,170
Stock Option	\$ 36.24					01/25/2007 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/25/2016	Common Stock	72,170
Stock Option	\$ 23.37					02/21/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	02/21/2018	Common Stock	72,230
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>					<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	6,192
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>					<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	9,116
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>					<u>(8)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	5,379
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>					<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	13,716

## Reporting Owners

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

