

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP
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FORM 4

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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)
11/24/2015

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

LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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	11/24/2015		M	42,230 A \$ 23.37	55,206	D	
Common Stock	11/24/2015		S	42,230 D \$ 34.3157	12,976	D	
Common Stock					857,799	I	By PACJU LLC ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock					28,412	I	Wu Family 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 23.37	11/24/2015		M	42,230	02/21/2009 ⁽²⁾ 02/21/2018	Common Stock	42,230

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Monica Chen,
attorney-in-fact 11/25/2015

__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) A Delaware limited liability company of which the Wu Family Trust serves 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 the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(2) The option is fully exercisable.

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