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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and TANG AN	Symbol CATH	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) (I	Middle) 3. Date of	of Earliest T	ransaction	_X_ Director		10% Owner	
777 NORT	`	(Month/Day/Year) 04/19/2018			X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice Chairman			
	4. If Am	4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
LOS ANG	ELES, CA 90012	Filed(Mo	Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	Derivative Securities A	cquired, Dispose	ed of, or Benefi	cially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	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)	

Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionAcquired (A) or		Securities	Ownership	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	(D) or	Ownership	
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					or		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/19/2018		A	1,606 (1)	A	\$0	303,006	D	
Common Stock							287,375.16 (2)	I	By spouse
Common Stock							97,160.05 (3)	I	By ESOP
Common Stock							300,000	I	YFO Investments, spouse is a beneficiary

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired						J
					(A) or						J
					Disposed						7
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
TANG ANTHONY M								
777 NORTH BROADWAY	X		Vice Chairman					
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012								

Signatures

/s/ Georgia Lo, attorney-in-fact

ttorney-in-fact 04/23/2018

**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) Grant of fully vested common stock of CATY.
- (2) Includes 1,576.098 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment year-to-date
- (3) Includes 544.526 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment year-to-date

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