#### CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

Form 5

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**OMB APPROVAL** FORM 5 **OMB** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 3235-0362 Number: Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if January 31, Expires: no longer subject 2005 to Section 16. Estimated average ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Form 4 or Form burden hours per 5 obligations OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer **WONG IRWIN** Symbol CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP (Check all applicable) [CATY] (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) Director 10% Owner X \_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) Other (specify below) below) 12/31/2014 SEVP, Chief Retail Admin. 777 NORTH BROADWAY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) LOS ANGELES, CAÂ 90012 \_X\_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned at Direct (D) Ownership end of or Indirect (Instr. 4) Issuer's (I) Fiscal Year (Instr. 4) (A) (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price Common \$ Â J(1)Â 03/13/2014 11.069 29,099.03 D Α Stock 23.8875 Common 06/12/2014 Â J(1)Â 15.82 A 29,099.03 D Stock 23,4489 Common 09/12/2014 J(1)Â 14.896 29,099.03 D 24.9758 Stock

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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 Exer	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Number	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e	Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	
	Derivative				Securities (Instaction Acquired (A) or			(Instr. 3 and 4)		
	Security									
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
									Amount	
						or				
						Date Expirat	Expiration		Number	
						Exercisable Date		of		
				$(\Lambda)$ $(\mathcal{D})$						
			(A) (D)						Shares	

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address
Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WONG IRWIN 777 NORTH BROADWAY LOS ANGELES, CAÂ 90012

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Monica Chen, attorney-in-fact 02/10/2015

\*\*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) Dividend Reinvestment.
- (2) ESOP DR earnings allocation.

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