CHEN HENG W Form 4 March 13, 2018

#### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading CHEN HENG W Issuer Symbol CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP (Check all applicable) [CATY] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 777 NORTH BROADWAY 03/09/2018 EVP/CFO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 Person

(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 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common

99,018 D Stock

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)

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transact<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Derivative | Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Pric<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>(Instr. |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---|--|--|
|   |   |   | Code V                               | (A) (D)    | Date<br>Exercisable                 | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | (1)   | 03/09/2018                              | A                                    | 964        | (2)                                 | (2)                | Common<br>Stock   | 964                                    | \$ (                                   |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| <b>F</b>                       | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |  |
| CHEN HENG W                    |               |           |         |       |  |  |  |
| 777 NORTH BROADWAY             |               |           | EVP/CFO |       |  |  |  |
| LOS ANGELES, CA 90012          |               |           |         |       |  |  |  |

### **Signatures**

/s/ Georgia Lo, attorney-in-fact

03/13/2018

\*\*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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock upon vesting.
- On March 9, 2018, the Issuer granted to the Reporting Person 964 restricted stock units that will vest, in full, on March 9, 2019, or immediately upon the death, disability or retirement of the Reporting Person, or a change in control of the Issuer.

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