CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of

securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CHEN HENG W			Symbol Iss CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP				Issu	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to uer (Check all applicable)			
			[CA11]								
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2016				Director 10% Owner K Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP/CFO				
777 NORT	H BROADWAY							E	VI/CIO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Indi Filed(Month/Day/Year)					dividual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-De	rivative Se	curitie	es Acquire	d, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	Code	4. Securities Acquired (and or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		(D)	Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and	Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
_					Amount	(D)	Price	4)			
Common Stock	03/11/2016	Â		<u>J(1)</u>	65.131	A	\$ 28.465	61,940	D	Â	
Common Stock	06/13/2016	Â		<u>J(1)</u>	63.329	A	\$ 29.46	61,940	D	Â	
Common Stock	09/12/2016	Â		J <u>(1)</u>	60.249	A	\$ 31.155	61,940	D	Â	

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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction	5. Number	6. Date Exerc Expiration D	ate	7. Title	nt of	8. Price of Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under		Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative			Securi		(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)	
	Security				Acquired					
					(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
									Amount	
						Date	Expiration		or	
							Date Tit	Title Number	Number	
									of	
					(A) (D)				Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CHEN HENG W 777 NORTH BROADWAY LOS ANGELES, CA 90012	Â	Â	EVP/CFO	Â			

Signatures

/s/ Monica Chen, attorney-in-fact 02/09/2017

**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.

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