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#### **UNITED STATES**

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### Form 8-A

# FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

## **CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of

95-4274680 (I.R.S. Employer

**Incorporation or Organization)** 

**Identification No.)** 

777 North Broadway

Los Angeles, California

90012

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

# Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Name of each exchange on which

to be so registered Warrants (expiring December 5, 2018) each class is to be registered The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box. x

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box.

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates (if applicable): N/A

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None.

## INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

# Item 1. <u>Description of Registrant s Securities to be Registere</u>d.

The title of the securities to be registered hereunder is Warrants (expiring December 5, 2018) (the Securities ). A description of the Securities is set forth under the section captioned Description of Warrants in the registrant s preliminary prospectus supplement, dated December 3, 2013 which relates to the registrant s registration statement on Form S-3ASR (No. 333-192636) and is hereby incorporated by reference into this registration statement.

#### Item 2. Exhibits.

Exhibit	
No.	Description
4.1	Warrant Agreement, dated as of December 4, 2013
4.2	Form of Warrant (included as part of Exhibit 4.1).

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

Date: December 4, 2013

By: /s/ Heng W. Chen Heng W. Chen Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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