

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP
INVESTMENT COMMITTEE CHARTER

Adopted by the Board of Directors effective February 17, 2011

Purpose

The purpose of the Investment Committee (the “Committee”) of the board of directors (the “Board”) of Cathay General Bancorp (the “Bancorp”) is to oversee the Bancorp’s investment activities.

Composition and Meetings

The Committee shall be composed of three or more directors.

The Committee shall meet whenever necessary, but at least annually.

Responsibilities

The Committee is charged by the Board with responsibility with respect to the following:

1. Establish investment strategy and supervise the Bancorp’s investment portfolio.
2. Screen non-bank qualified investments and recommend the same to the Board for approval.
3. Monitor all investment transactions to determine whether they are within the guidelines of the investment policy of the Bancorp.
4. Review the quality and performance of the investment portfolio of the Bancorp.
5. Recommend changes in policy that it determines should be made to the Board.
6. Provide minutes of Committee meetings to the Board, and report to the Board on any significant matters arising from the Committee’s work.
7. Perform such other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned to the Committee by the Board.
8. Review and monitor holding company liquidity and actions taken under the contingency liquidity plan if the plan is triggered.

Authority

By adopting this Charter, the Board delegates to the Committee full authority in its discretion to:

1. Perform each of the responsibilities of the Committee described above.
2. Conduct or authorize inquiries into any matters within the scope of each of the purpose and responsibilities of the Committee described above.
3. Delegate such of its authority and responsibilities as the Committee deems proper to members of the Committee.
4. Appoint a chair of the Committee, unless a chair is designated by the Board.
5. Obtain advice and assistance from internal legal counsel or other advisors.