



CATHAY GENERAL  
BANCORP

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**CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP DECLARES DIVIDEND OF \$0.05 PER SHARE**

Los Angeles, Calif., November 22, 2013: Cathay General Bancorp (NASDAQ: CATY) announced today that its Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of five cents per common share payable on December 12, 2013, to stockholders of record at the close of business on December 2, 2013.

**ABOUT CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP**

Cathay General Bancorp is the holding company for Cathay Bank, a California state-chartered bank. Founded in 1962, Cathay Bank offers a wide range of financial services. Cathay Bank currently operates 31 branches in California, eight branches in New York State, one in Massachusetts, two in Texas, three in Washington State, three in the Chicago, Illinois area, one in New Jersey, one in Nevada, one in Hong Kong, and a representative office in Taipei and in Shanghai. Cathay Bank's website is found at <http://www.cathaybank.com/>.