CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP		
Form 8-K		
April 17, 2019		

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 17, 2019

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-31830 95-4274680 (State or other jurisdiction (IRS Employer

(Commission File Number)

of incorporation) Identification No.)

777 North Broadway, Los Angeles, California (Address of principal executive offices)	90012 (Zip Code)		
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (213) 625-4700			
Not Applicable			
(Former name or former address, if changed si	ince last report.)		
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K the registrant under any of the following provision	filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of ns:		
"Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 un	nder the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)		
"Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 unde	er the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)		
"Pre-commencement communications pursuant to	Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))		
"Pre-commencement communications pursuant to	Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))		
•	an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2		
Emerging growth company "			
	k mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition ancial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the		

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 17, 2019, Cathay General Bancorp announced, in a press release, its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2019. That press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The foregoing information and the attached exhibit are intended to be furnished only and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933.

Item 9.01

Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Cathay General Bancorp dated April 17, 2019

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

Date: April 17, 2019

By: /s/ Heng W. Chen

Heng W. Chen

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>NumberExhibit</u>

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